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Spillette Leads Poll, Carter Is Loser In Councillor Contest

With Councillor J. L. Spillette leading the poll, but closely trailed by Councillor Joseph Vale, the six 1943 Newmarket town councillors were re-elected on Monday.

The 1944 councillors are Frank Bowser, Wm. Dixon, A. V. Higginson, J. A. Perks, J. L. Spillette and Joseph Vale.

The mayor, Dr. L. W. Dales, reeve, F. A. Lundy, and deputy-reeve, A. D. Evans, were returned by acclamation.

The losing candidate for the council, C. Morden Carter, was a new nominee, and made a good showing against seasoned veterans. Taking his defeat in good part, Mr. Carter said that he appreciated the generous support he had received and he hoped to do better another year.

	St. G.	St. A.	St. P.	Total
Bowser	138	163	101	402
Carter	102	113	75	290
Dixon	114	132	70	316
Higginson	109	131	83	323
Perks	127	146	83	356
Spillette	167	171	105	443
Vale	135	183	119	437

ONCE IN TEN YEARS TOWN 'SAVED EXPENSE'

	1943	1942	1938	1934(5)
Bowser	402	421	761	
Carter	290			
Dixon	316	374	734	
Higginson	323	360	712	
Perks	356	384		
Spillette	443	457	1009	
Vale	437	398		934
Armstrong		283		
Sedore		243		
Curtis			423	
Evans			515	732
Goodman			197	
McCordick			651	643
Mungoran			689	
Osborne			328	656
Gadsby				375
Legge				702
Robinson				737

In ten years there have been four elections for the members of the Newmarket council other than mayor, reeve and deputy-reeve. Twice there have been seven candidates, once eight candidates and once ten candidates for the six seats. In the other six years there have been acclamations for the councillors (one year, with only five nominees qualifying, a new nomination was necessary). In four of the six acclamation years the public voted on other council offices and (or) other questions. Only twice in ten years has there been no voting, and in one of those years a second nomination was necessary.

BILL THOMS IS ILL

Bill Thoms, Newmarket boy who stars on the centre line for Chicago Black Hawks, and was formerly with Toronto Maple Leafs, is seriously ill in a Chicago hospital following an operation.

BOYS WIN DOMINION HONORS



Sharon Boys' Swine club team has won both the provincial and dominion swine judging competitions. The team consisted of Perry Winch, Jr., Keswick, (left), who had the highest individual score, and Ewart Jennings, King, R. R. 3, (right), who stood second. The boys were coached by J. D. Moore, who was in charge of the club work during the summer, and Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn (centre). Photo by Budd.

WILL HELP NEEDY

Newmarket Veterans' dance and euchre in the town hall next Thursday evening will provide funds for Christmas hampers to needy Newmarket families.

Chairman Fred Cass and his committee are working hard to make the evening a success. Rose's orchestra provides the music. Ten large geese are offered as prizes.

IN THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Doings of those serving their country on land, on the sea, and in the air.

Contributions welcomed for this column—Phone 780.

Flt.-Lieut. J. A. Koffend, Montreal, was at his home on Wednesday en route to Vancouver.

Cpl. Michael Thompson, who has been home on three weeks sick leave, has returned to his station in Toronto.

AC1 L. R. Willis, who has been spending the past two weeks with his wife and family, has returned to Halifax, N.S.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lee received word from their son, Tpr. Arthur Lee, last week, stating that he is now in North Africa.

Pte. N. S. Darrach, British Columbia, has completed a furlough with his wife and family.

Pte. Jack Revill, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Revill, is in Italy, according to word received by his parents.

Harry Bolton of the R.C.A.F. spent a few days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bolton, before leaving for Halifax, N.S.

Pte. R. E. Glass was among the Canadian troops arriving in Italy recently.

Tpr. Geo. Mills is in the thick of things in Italy. He is a brother of Mrs. Henry Edwards, Newmarket.

Capt. R. B. Canham, Debert, N.S., is spending a few days leave with his wife and family.

Rfmn. Nicholas Rennett, Niagara Falls, Ont., spent the weekend with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Newson.

Cpl. Jack Arlitt, Camp Borden, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Paul Arlitt.

AC2 Austin Brammar, Rockcliffe, spent the weekend with his wife and family.

AC2 Wm. Anderson is spending his furlough in New York City.

Cpl. and Mrs. J. M. Holloway have moved to Barrie. Cpl. Holloway is stationed at Camp Borden.

Pte. Cyril Roberts has joined the army and is stationed in Toronto. Pte. Roberts has lived in Newmarket and surrounding district most of his life. He is a son of Mrs. Edward Williams, Cheshire, England.

Harold Simmerson has enlisted in the R.C.A.F. and is stationed at Saskatoon, Sask. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Simmerson, Newmarket.

AC2 Jack Duncan, St. Thomas, spent the weekend at his home.

Pilot Officer Geo. Phimister, son of Mrs. James Phimister, Newmarket, has arrived safely overseas.

WM. LAMBIE DIES

Wm. Lambie, Forest River, North Dakota, a former resident of Newmarket, died while on the train to California in November. He married Esther Cody, who predeceased him.

Mr. Lambie was accustomed to spend the winter with his sister, Mrs. Salenia Hutchison, California. He was about 88 years old. Surviving are two sons, Ernest and Jack. A daughter predeceased him.

DOCTOR TELLS OF HUNGER IN SUNNY ITALY

Capt. J. Gordon Cock, in peace time a Newmarket physician and surgeon, sends greetings to all his Newmarket friends from "sunny Italy." He regrets that, due to his sudden move to the Mediterranean, he was unable to send any Christmas greetings.

His unit has just opened up a 100-bed hospital in an Italian monastery. "We moved in from tents today and the change meets with universal approval," he writes. "Despite the famous Italian climate, those tents were bitterly cold. As the power stations have all been wrecked, we work by candle-light and it's a continual scrounge to get enough of them.

"I'm not permitted to tell you about the trip out here. Suffice it to say that we had a few days stormy weather. On the whole, it was reasonably pleasant. The famous blue of the Med. was not seen. Instead, it was grayish and covered with white caps.

"On landing I had to proceed with a small advance party to take over our lines. On the way we halted to inquire the route. Some Italian took that opportunity to use our lorry as a screen and from it directed a stream of tommy-gun fire at some assailant across the street, who of course returned the fire. Needless to say, we got out of the way in a hurry. That was our introduction to the people.

"The citizens act very friendly and refer to Mussolini with a throat-slitting gesture. But their behavior is not entirely convincing .....

"Of course they exploit us terribly and prices have sky-rocketed in a few weeks. Many of the beggars, and there are thousands of them, are probably legitimate. It was rather heart-rending to push swarms of them away from our refuse dump when they would search for crusts of bread and bits of meat. And yet last night five of us bought nine pounds of T-bone steak in a large shop in the main village square.

"At last I have been cured of one of my ambitions. Never will I want to visit Italy. The filth of the place is simply appalling. It may be different in peace time.

"The day we landed a lad came up and spoke to us. It was Tom Warby of Newmarket. We had a long chat together. Some years ago I had to amputate one of his thumbs. On the boat was Russell Terry from Newmarket. In our unit we have a youngster named Trent from Aurora.

"Of course it is rather nice to be able to get fresh fruit again, and apples, oranges, passion fruit (not so hot, in my opinion) are sold all over the place. It is probably a bad time of the year, but so far I've seen very little that is attractive about the countryside despite the proximity of some world-famous tourist spots.

"Merry Christmas to the folks of Newmarket."



CAPT. J. G. COCK

IS WITH NAVY SHOW



Wren Barbara Davis, daughter of E. J. Davis, Jr., enlisted with the navy show in July. The show has been through the Maritime provinces but is now back in Ontario until the middle of December, when it will be going over to the United States. Photo by Budd.

PUBLISH EARLY

Next week's Era and Express will be published on Wednesday, Dec. 15, and all display advertising copy should reach The Era and Express by Monday at 6 p.m., classified advertising by Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock.

Correspondents are asked to co-operate by having as much of their copy as possible reach The Era and Express on Saturday and the balance on Monday or early Tuesday.

The following week's Era and Express will be published on Tuesday, Dec. 21.

SEVENTY-FIVE GIVE BLOOD AT CLINIC

Those who gave blood at the Red Cross blood donor clinic held Nov. 26 were: Harvey McCordick, Charles McDonald, Mrs. Violet Baillie, Joe Deavitt, Roy Erwin, William Walker, Roy Rhinehart, Arthur Peppiatt, Jr.

Kenneth Bennington, Frank Hodge, Mrs. Grace Whyle, Mrs. Ada Rose, Norma Druery, Kenneth Mount, Mrs. Mae Stickwood, Orval Hisey, Charles Cumber, Mrs. Myrtle Barker, Mrs. Ethel Ramsay, Mrs. Daisy Hays.

Norman Dorland, Mrs. Nettie Woodcock, Herman Gilroy, Mrs. Alice Shropshire, Mrs. Madeline Mathews, Mrs. Nora Young, Mrs. Edna Kirbyson, Mrs. Laura Shields, Etolle Rutledge, Norene Slater, Irwin Tate.

Elden Goodwin, Andrew Nalsmith, Clarence Harvey, Marjorie Kendrick, Margaret Hisey, Violet Moffatt, Mrs. Evelyn Doan, Mrs. Mary Hunt, Joe Wood, Fred Cook, Samuel Jefferson, Thomas Gardiner, Joe Greer.

Mrs. Gwen Kilkenny, Bob Brown, Jim Bateman, Art Evans, Thomas Speziali, William Young, Bruce Gibson, Harold Lee, Joe Peat, Fred Edwards.

William Epworth, John Thomas, Frank Newton, Harry Wesley, Earl Willis, Melville Price, William Rose, Charles VanZant George Boynton, Chas. Stouffer, Arthur Lomas.

Frank Carley, Arnold Winter, Mrs. Daisy Woolven, Mary Munshaw, Olive Hughson, Herbert Gladman, Joel Spillette, Bill Winter, Mrs. Margaret Woods, J. E. Nesbitt.

The prevalent epidemic of "flu" and colds cut the number of donors from 115 to 75. Donors were present from Bradford, Holland Landing, the Holland marsh, Sharon, Queensville and Newmarket.

CAMP RETRIEVES GAME IN FIGHTING FINISH

In a thrilling game won in the last minute of play, Newmarket camp basketball team squeezed out a 21-20 win over the boys from No. 3 C.A.C.T.R., Camp Borden, coached by Sgt. Ab. Hulse, at the Newmarket drill hall on Monday evening.

Robertson and Callanan were best for the camp, with McKinnon and VanBuskirk best for the Bordenites.

C. R. Blackstock of Pickering College handled the whistle.

BROTHERS MEET OVERSEAS

An unusual reunion took place at Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, England, on Dec. 4, when two Aurora brothers met for the first time in three years. They were Sgt. Clifford Chapman, R.C.A.F., and Pte. Leonard Chapman, Argyll-Sutherland Highlanders.

Both boys were born in Leamington Spa. They came to Canada at an early age and were raised in Aurora. The meeting took place at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Thomas Adkins. Cables were sent to their wives in Aurora to celebrate the occasion.

Two Wolves Fall To East Gwillimbury Organized Hunters



WALTER HIRST and wolf
Photo by Budd.

Constable Joe Jardine's East Gwillimbury Wolf Hunt club has accounted for two wolves since it went to work a week ago to rid the township of the wolves which have been preying on sheep and cattle.

George Allison and John Evans, both of Mount Albert, got the first wolf on Wednesday, Dec. 1, the first day out. It was a 60-pound female, shot north of Holt, where the hunt started.

Resuming the hunt on Saturday morning, the hunters started out a mile and a half north of Holt between the sixth and seventh concessions.

Walter Hirst, proprietor of Wynhurst beach, Keswick, brought down a fine specimen something over an hour after the start. It was a 45-pound female.

About 100 men are hunting each Wednesday and Saturday, with Constable Joseph Jardine in charge. He is assisted by Constable George Longhurst. Only shotguns are permitted.

Without waiting to collect his $25 provincial bounty and his $10 township bounty, Mr. Hirst wrote out a cheque for $35 for the Toronto Star Santa Claus fund, and he and Constable Jardine delivered the cheque this week, and took the wolf along as an exhibit.

Fred Gibson, Sharon, and Alfred Hill, Holt, accounted for a fox on Saturday. Mr. Gibson took the pelt, and Mr. Hill will receive the township bounty of $3.

The hunters were out again yesterday but had no luck. There are still more wolves and "Jardine's Rangers" will be out each Wednesday and Saturday in an effort to account for them.

SAYS SACRIFICES MAKE LIBERTIES POSSIBLE

The remains of Gert Larsen which, after cremation, had been sent to Newmarket from Scotland for burial, reposed upon a flag-draped pedestal in the Roadhouse and Rose funeral chapel for a memorial service for the Norwegian air force boy on Saturday afternoon. Members of Newmarket town council, along with many other friends of the family, were in attendance.

Rev. A. B. Stein conducted the service, choosing as a text the words of the warrior apostle Paul: "I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at that day."

Mr. Stein said that "while these words apply particularly to the preaching of the Gospel by a servant of God, there is a real sense in which the deceased has had to face similar decisions to those of the apostle, so that freedom for others to preach that same Gospel might be retained by our nation today. It is by the sacrifice of the deceased, and many others like him, who feel the weight of duty more than they fear death, that our national, personal, and religious liberties are preserved.

"Our Saviour, long ago, said, 'Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friend,' and then He went forth to Calvary bearing the penalty of a world's sin. Here today we see that principle expressed by Christ exemplified by the one whose memory we revere. There is a very real sense in which his life has been given for us, and the remembrance of that life sacrificed should help us to realize to a greater extent the meaning and worth of Calvary."

Mr. Stein said that "the Word of God rather than human speculation is a real source of comfort to the bereaved," and taking the phrases of the text showed how the successive steps in the case of the inspired apostle were illustrative of the experience of the deceased.

The ashes were interred in the Veterans' plot at Newmarket cemetery.

IS IMPROVING

Dr. J. H. Wesley, who is in the Toronto General hospital for an operation, is getting along satisfactorily.

RECEIVES APPOINTMENT

Mrs. J. S. Osborne, Sharon, has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the York county mothers' allowance board created by the death of Mrs. A. E. Pugsley. Mrs. Osborne is the wife of Warden J. S Osborne.

THANKS COUNCIL

"Thanks for the paper which I have been getting this last few weeks," LAC Bill Dougan writes on a Christmas greeting card from Italy to The Era and Express. "Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

LAC Dougan's Era and Express is sent to him by Newmarket town council.

FRED COOPER WRITES FROM JAPANESE CAMP

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cooper, Sutton, have received a letter, dated Aug. 23, 1943, from their son, Rfmn. Fred Cooper, who is a prisoner of war in Japan. He was taken prisoner at Hong Kong.

"I've been thinking of you a lot lately," he writes. "I hope you are in good health. I am well, still working. It has been some time since I saw you, but the time passes quickly. Uncle Bill is not with me at the present time. He was feeling fine when I saw him last. I suppose things will be changed a lot at home. I won't know the boys. How is Uncle Bill and family? Hope they are all well. Glad that Uncle Bob Matt has a good job. Sorry to hear of grandmother's death. Please remember me to the neighbors. Keep your chins up. Hope to be with you all soon."

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper have also received a card from their son. It was dated May 30, 1943, and reads: "Received your letter. Glad to know everyone is well. We are in good health. I sure wish I was home now. You were lucky to get the turkey. Glad to know the boys are home. Uncle Bill got a letter, too. I was surprised to hear of the marriages. Hope to hear from you soon."

The "Uncle Bill" referred to in the letter and card is Wm. Holstock, Sutton, also a Japanese prisoner. Mrs. Holstock is at present living at Jackson's Point. Until recently, Fred, and his uncle were in the same camp.

W. I. BRANCHES SPEND $2,500 ON WAR WORK

North York Women's Institutes have raised $3,734.73 for war work this year, Mrs. Ralph Willis, war work convenor reports. Of this, they have spent $2,583.80.

The money was spent as follows: central fund, $105.86; jam, $20; sugar, $22; mobile kitchen, $47.15; Navy League, $148.16; Salvation Army, $10; Russian relief, $203.67; Red Cross, $405.30; cigarettes and boys' boxes, $151.82.

The articles made by the W.I. included 180 ditty bags, 326 boys' boxes, 805 pairs of socks, 49 pairs seamen's socks, 78 sweaters, 30 cardigans, 36 pairs mitts, 19 pairs gloves, 88 other knitted articles, seven blankets, 177 quilts, 316 sewn articles and 12 layettes, 426 pieces.

Food, clothing and new blankets were sent to a veteran of the last war and his family. Newmarket branch sends baskets of fruit to the Newmarket military camp and hospital and also needed supplies of glass tumblers, towels and face cloths. They also supply Newmarket soldiers with socks, sweaters, scarves, etc.

There are 23 branches in the North York district.

Three branches failed to report their war work, but a few branches who work entirely through the Red Cross keep no account of their work.

C.G.I.T. GIRLS WILL HOLD SERVICE DEC. 19

The Newmarket Canadian Girls in Training group will hold a Christmas Vesper service on Sunday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m., in Trinity United church. All parents are cordially invited to attend. The vesper service is being held across Canada and 40,000 teen-age girls belong to this interdenominational movement.

HELPS FUND

The Newmarket Veterans' Soldiers' Comforts fund has received a gift of $2 from Ernest Sanson.

Pearson, Ross and Shaw Win East Gwillimbury, Loser Has Solid Support Of Home Neighbors

East Gwillimbury township elected George Pearson, Queensville, Kenneth Ross, Mount Albert, and Alan Shaw, Sharon, councillors for 1944, in the election on Monday.

Each of the four candidates led the poll in his home district, but only the losing candidate, Samuel Deans, Holland Landing, had the honor of polling more of his neighbors' votes than the three other candidates combined.

The reeve, Byron Stiver, and deputy-reeve, Walter Proctor, were elected by acclamation.

Results are as follows. Polling booths are in the following order: North Newmarket, Sharon, Queensville, Holt, Mount Albert, Ravenshoe, Brownhill, Holland Landing.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Deans	28	19	44	8	45	7	1	100	252
Pearson	53	75	106	25	88	13	10	33	403
Ross	18	43	52	47	202	25	17	18	422
Shaw	54	81	97	34	107	25	10	33	441

Grand Old Scot Lady Dies, Mrs. Carrick

Ill only two weeks, Mrs. Agnes Cowie Carrick, 97 Gorham St., Newmarket, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Gladman, last Thursday. Her mind remained clear and active throughout her short illness, and she was making Christmas plans.

Born in Denny, Scotland, Aug. 3, 1851, Agnes Cowie was a daughter of Mary Henderson Cowie and Andrew Cowie, Denny, Scotland. She married in May, 1871, Joseph Carrick, who died on Jan. 28, 1922.

Mrs. Carrick was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Surviving are four sons, Joseph, Newmarket, Alex., Craigmore, Scotland, Peter, Johannesburg, South Africa, Andrew, Newmarket; four daughters, Mrs. H. M. Gladman and Mrs. Agnes Montgomery, Newmarket, Mrs. John Morton, Aurora, and Mrs. W. Chapman, Florida, South Africa; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Jamieson, Forfar, Scotland, and Mrs. Annie Landerville, San Francisco, Calif.; ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The pallbearers were Fred O. R. Simpson, William M. Young, Walter Hall, Walter R. Stephens, Frank W. Playter and Elton Armstrong.

Rev. Alex. B. Stein conducted the funeral service at the chapel of Roadhouse and Rose on Saturday. Interment was made in Newmarket cemetery.

CHARLEY'S AUNT IS VISITOR AT PICKERING

The hilarious comedy, Charley's Aunt, well-known Brandon Thomas play, wound up a successful parents' and visitors' day at Pickering College on Saturday.

Headmaster Joseph McCulley, staff and students welcomed parents and friends, who in the afternoon visited the interesting exhibits of classroom work, hobbies and various school activities, including a fine display of books from the College library. An athletic program was held in the gymnasium. Parkdale Collegiate basketball team defeated the college 21-20.

The dramatic club, under the direction of H. M. Beer of the staff, did full justice to "Charley's Aunt" and provided two hours of real merriment. As the setting of the play was Oxford, the English accents of several of the English students in the cast, added to the effectiveness of the production.

Fred Marx and Bill McDonald, two lovelorn students, were excellent in their roles, and Tom Schofield, who impersonated Charley's aunt, not wisely, but too well, led his comrades into some uproarious situations and did some fine acting.

Jack Struthers, Julian Tudor-Hart and John Marstrand were most attractive as blushing young ladies, and Daniel Kent, Victor Koby, John Bowlby and Ken Warren acted well. Maire Davies Jackson was charming as the real "Charley's aunt."

The attractive stage settings were the work of Fred Hagan. B. W. Jackson was stage manager, assisted by Ken. Warren. Miss F. S. Ancient and Rudy Renzius were in charge of make-up.

The young fellow had started on his new job. When the middle of the week came, he found himself short of money, so he called on the cashier. "Can I have a week's wages now?" he asked.

"But you've only been here three days," said the cashier.

"I know," replied the newcomer, "but if I can trust you for the first half week, surely you can trust me for the second half."

J. A. PERKS PLANS NEW HATCHERY BUSINESS

The inaugural meeting of the flock-owners who will be supplying hatching eggs for Perks' Chek-R-Chix hatchery, which will be located in the building formerly occupied by Dunn's garage on Huron St. E., took place on Friday evening.

This meeting was held in the agricultural representative's office. W. J. Garfat, of the Ralston Purina Co., was the principal speaker. Mr. Harvey, a dominion government inspector for hatchery approval, was present. Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn spoke a few words of welcome to those associated with Newmarket's newest enterprise.

LIONS CHRISTMAS FUND

Previously acknowledged	$137.00
Strand Theatre	5.00
No name	3.00
Davis Leather Co.	150.00
P.M. in memory of Dad	2.00
Siedman's	5.00
J. L. Spillette	5.00
Mrs. C. E. Wheeland ...	2.00
	$309.00

Gifts may be made to H. E. Lambert, Bank of Toronto, fund treasurer, Frank Courtney, club treasurer, or to any member of the club.

Coming Events

Insertions under this heading one cent per word per week, minimum charge 25 cents a week, if paid within six days, otherwise 25 cents additional. There is no cheaper advertising for any event.

Sale postponed— The sale, which was to have been held at Mrs. Bill White's, 51 Park Ave., Newmarket, on Friday, will not be held until Monday, Dec. 13.

Dance at Middlebrook's—Every Wednesday night to Ken Rose and his Firefighters' orchestra. Admission 25c. tf35

Friday, Dec 10—Euchre in the town hall at 8 p.m. c2w44

Thursday, Dec. 16—Euchre, dance and draw in the town hall at 8.30 p.m. Rose's orchestra. Admission 25 cents. Ten geese as prizes. c3w44

Friday, Dec. 17—Annual Christmas program in the Salvation Army hall at 8 p.m. Dialogues, recitations and Santa Claus. Admission 15 cents. *3w44

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COUNCIL ENDORSED

The Newmarket municipal voting seems to indicate that the public is pleased with the work done by its 1943 councillors. The voting was light, but it can be assumed that the result would have been much the same if there had been twice as many voters.

Mr. Spillette again leads the council poll, with Mr. Vale, in third place last year, almost gaining the lead position which he won in his first run for council nine years ago.

Mr. Carter loses out but comes within striking distance of gaining a council seat. Another year he may well make it. There was an unfair tendency to blame Mr. Carter this year for "causing an election." He did not cause the election any more than any other candidate.

Our councillors used to complain because no one would run for the council. In the eight years between the election when Mr. Vale led the council poll and this year's vote there have been acclamations for the councillors six years. One year (December, 1937) only five councillors qualified and the town had the expense of a second nomination.

The lack of candidates was not due to a desire to avoid an election and save the town expense, for in most of these years there were votes for mayor, reeve or deputy-reeve or on some other question (two beverage room votes, Hydro-Electric contract, Office Specialty assessment and two-year term).

There was a lack of interest in the council seats. Members of the council professed to be disgusted with the lack of public interest. A year and a half ago the council passed a by-law providing for remuneration for council members. One purpose was to interest more people in serving the town.

And yet when following this change other candidates come forward, last year and this year, there is a tendency on the part of the councillors to stand together against all comers, and to invite the public to vote for the sitting council en bloc. This year, when there was the council contest only and only seven candidates for the six seats, the business man (and the public is always crying for business men in government) who came forward is made a victim of a "causing an election" boycott.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Perks, who broke into the council last year, held his fourth position. Mr. Vale is the only member of the 1943 council who polled more votes this year than last, 437 compared with 398. There were probably less voters this year. There were 2,567 votes divided among seven candidates (average of 367) compared with 2,920 votes among eight candidates (average of 365) last year.

All the councillors are to be congratulated. They have gone before the public and have been endorsed. They can feel that they speak with public support.

STAY "IN HOGS"

Canada's reduced hog contract, the dominion government's apparent decision to allow hog production to fall off and the various explanations offered as to why the contract is being reduced are not easy to understand. H. H. Hannam, president of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, quotes Lord Woolton, until recently Britain's minister of food, but now switched to reconstruction, as saying a short time ago: "In 12 months from today we shall be lucky if we still can have one shilling two pence (about 25 cents) worth of meat weekly." Mr. Hannam comments: "Obviously the British ministry of food has not asked Canada to cut down her bacon quota for the British people."

Since Mr. Hannam wrote his comment, in which he said that farmers are "now disillusioned," there is a new explanation from the Canadian minister of agriculture, Mr. Gardiner, that Canada is tapering off her hog production so that when after the war Britain switches to Danish bacon Canadian farmers will not be left holding a bag full of pigs.

If we are thinking in such terms, why don't we start tapering off the rest of our war effort and bring our soldiers and airmen home, so that there won't be too many of them over in Britain with nothing to do should the war in Europe end suddenly? It would be just as sensible. It is questionable if all our Allied fighting men could be used against Japan, but all our bacon (even the 600,000,000 pounds of the expiring contract, now reduced to 450,000,000 pounds for the next two years) could be used by Britain alone, even if the war were to end.

Denmark will not be a bacon-exporting country immediately. Nobody knows whether Germany will leave a single pig in Denmark. And there will be not only Britain, but all Europe to feed. The European war is not won yet, even though it may be nearly won. Relief and reconstruction of the European continent have not begun yet.

The Canadian Federation of Agriculture makes a reasonable request when it asks that Canada help to pay the extra cost of Britain's bacon, as the result of the increased cost of feed, out of the money which Canada is giving to Britain anyway. Whatever the government has done or may do, however, Canadian farmers have a duty too to do the thing which they think will help Britain and the world. The 450,000,000 pounds is a minimum requirement, not a maximum, and patriotic farmers will continue to produce hogs. Good farmers will make money out of them.

HOW TO INFLUENCE ELECTORS

It is not always easy to agree with Arthur W. Roebuck, M.P., former attorney-general of Ontario, but we think he would have the approval of the man who wrote "How to Win Friends and Influence People" when he says: "The man who criticizes the C.C.F. program of reform is understood by the people to be opposed to reform. We Liberals are not opposed to reform. We have the same objectives as the C.C.F., only we are going by a different road. The condemnations and criticisms the C.C.F. received in the last election did not hurt that party. The reason this organization (Toronto Central Liberal Association) hasn't a larger membership is because it has not offered the people an intellectual menu. A political party must cultivate a thoughtful electorate."

If the press of Canada keeps up its present intensive campaign against the C.C.F., the C.C.F. will make a grand showing in the next federal election. Instead of condemning the C.C.F., and its solutions for our social and economic problems, those who don't like those solutions should give those same problems some study and offer alternative suggestions but not so-called "free enterprise." That is the disease, not the cure.

THUS FAR, NO FARTHER

It is only a few years ago that Collingwood voted in favor of the establishment of a liquor store. Now the same town, even with a substantial influx of war workers, has voted 2,532 to 649 against the establishment of beverage rooms. The value of the secret ballot, and the worthlessness of petitions (for anyone will sign them), are evidenced by the fact that there were less than half as many votes for the beverage rooms as there were signatures on the petition.

PIGEON HOLING

The United Farmers of Ontario will merge with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. The U.F.O. does not go out of existence through weakness but rather to avoid duplication and to join forces with the Federation of Agriculture. The U.F.O. would have no difficulty in carrying on, for its business affiliate, the United Farmers Co-operative Co., has become an increasingly successful business, with a huge annual turnover.

The U. F. Co-operative Co. is a competitive, capitalist enterprise, and yet it is also a socialized or socialist enterprise, for it pays its dividends largely to its customers, in accordance with the volume of their "patronage." Co-operatives are hardheaded business enterprises, and the despair of those who like to separate the sheep and the goats, the capitalists and the socialists.

Even public ownership enterprises, less desirable than co-operative enterprises because there seems to be no way of removing them from government influence or interference, are capitalist. They use capital. They are also socialist. J. B. Priestley writes of post-war Britain: "There will of course be a welcome lifting of various irksome war-time restrictions. But we shall be compelled to retain elaborate government controls of industry, and probably to put many essential services on a basis of public ownership. Competitive private enterprise, except in small-scale luxury trades, will be something we shall not be able to afford. We shall probably be socialists in everything but name."

WHAT OTHERS THINK

THE POST OFFICE

(The Canadian Veteran)

When the full story of the war comes to be written it is to be hoped that the post office of Canada will receive its due share of credit for the magnificent job which it has done under most trying conditions.

It has, of course, received its full share of "kicks." That, by the very nature of the conditions under which it has had to work, is inevitable. It has not always, because of reasons of security, been able to disclose all the factors which created certain situations, and consequently at times has had to accept a certain degree of criticism to which it was not justly entitled. That such criticism has, considering the magnitude of the task performed by the post office, been extremely rare is a tribute to the manner in which Canada's mail, and particularly that to its men and women on service, has been handled.

Communications and parcels from home are of outstanding importance to those who are far away fighting their country's battles. The various steps taken by the post office of Canada to ensure speedy, accurate and modern methods of delivery provide a refreshing comparison to other wars when those who went out "into the blue" were cut off from home news for long periods.

The job which the post office has had to do is, to a layman, almost unbelievable. When it is remembered that Christmas mail to the forces overseas alone this year amounted to the enormous total of 179,802 bags, some idea of the task can be gained. A tremendous increase of domestic mail has helped to complicate the situation. Shortage of experienced help, as in other businesses, has hit the post office hard.

And the job has been done—and well done. By the very nature of its business the Canadian Veteran is in close and constant contact with the machinery of the post office. It is particularly interested in those who make the wheels go round because, from the postmaster-general, Col. W. P. Mulock, down through the ranks a very large proportion of those who keep the mails moving are ex-service men. Joined with them, of course, are many men now wearing uniform, particularly members of the postal corps who, with women from the services, are playing their part.

To them all, postmaster-general, department official, man in uniform, the "postie" on the street and in the camp, the thousand and one others who play their part, the Canadian Veteran would like to pay its tribute at this time of year for a grand job well done under most difficult conditions.



A three-day conference at Cairo between Prime Minister Churchill, President Roosevelt and President Ismet Inonu of Turkey is thought to be in preparation for Turkish entry into the war, although military action may still be delayed for a couple of months.

King George VI has been confined to bed with influenza for several days.

A group of German army officers of high rank are reported to have made peace overtures to the Allies.

Two years ago Tuesday the Japanese made a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor. Now, with the enemy on the defensive, a rebuilt Pearl Harbor awaits the newest phase of the Allied offensive.

No further tightening of the restrictions on the sale of beer and liquor is likely, but it is said that there will be no alleviation of the restrictions.

"I hope that in 1944 we shall bring the enemy to bay," Prime Minister Churchill told his old regiment, the 4th Queen's Own Hussars, this week.

Close to 200,000 persons are thought to be killed, wounded or missing following the massive R.A.F. raids on Berlin.

50 YEARS AGO

From The Era and Express files, Dec. 8, 1893

Geo. H. Little, who has been with Messrs. Brunton Bros. for some time, has purchased the stock of Mrs. Smith in the Saxton block and has gone into business for himself.

The snow storm on Sunday made good sleighing Monday. The thermometer registered eight below zero.

Miss Munroe was "at home" to her Sunday-school class on Tuesday evening. She was presented with a gift from her pupils.

Elder Prosser has gone to Castleton to take a part in the anniversary services.

Masters Walter and Norman Maltby, Toronto, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Jesse Hughes.

Mrs. Esther Dennis and Mrs. Malloy expect to leave for Kansas next week for the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Dennis intends to remain for the winter.

MARRIED—On Nov. 20, at the residence of the bride, by Rev. Jas. Fraser, Richard Cronsberry to Miss Matthews, all of Georgina.

MARRIED—At Grace church, Markham, Nov. 28, by Rev. O. Croft, Dr. Ira A. Freel, Stouffville, to Jane, daughter of Wm. Barnes, Green River.

MARRIED—At the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 6, by Elder C. H. Hainer, Geo. Brodie, Bethesda, Whitchurch township, to Kate, daughter of Stephen Terry, Mount Albert.

25 YEARS AGO

From The Era and Express files, Dec. 6, 1918

The final bills for the re-wiring of the town hall and new fixtures were passed by the council last Monday evening, and altogether they amount to $1,184, which is one of the big items of expenditure for the past year.

The young people will be deprived of their skating on Fairy Lake this season. By all appearances the repairs at the dam on Water St. will not be made this season. Work was commenced last week but came to an abrupt termination owing to a disagreement over the contract.

Miss Eileen McGonigle and Miss Elsie Belfry won the first and second prizes in the Carter scholarship, in competition with other high school students of the township.

Mr. John Currey spent the weekend with his son at Hanover.

Miss Minnie Cuyler of Medicine Hat was visiting Miss Rena Muir this week.

Mrs. T. J. Robertson and Miss Robertson have returned after spending a week in the city.

Word has been received that Louis Granger is expected home from the front in a few days.

MARRIED—At the residence of the bride's parents, D'Arcy St., Newmarket, Dec. 4, 1918, by Rev. F. Elliott, Richmond Hill, Miss Annie H. Hilts to Wm. H. Spragge, King City.

"BOX FOR BRITAIN" CLUB MAKES FINE SHIPMENT

The members of Mrs. George Smith's "Box for Britian Club" have sent the following articles to Toronto for shipment to the bombed children of Britain:

Five complete layettes, two boys' suits, four prs. boys' combinations, two prs. boys' oxfords, four prs. boys' socks, two prs. boys' pants, one boys' sweater, one knitted boys' suit, two girls' dresses, three slips, three prs. panties, one girls' knitted dress, one pr. girls' shoes, three prs. girls' socks, 18 bars of soap, seven combs, one baby's book and 1 large quilt.

GETTING NEARER

By GOLDEN GLOW

What is getting nearer? Why Christmas of course! What else could I mean? Everything from now till Dec. 25 is "Christmas is coming," and it gets to be a glad, mad rush the nearer we draw to that date! Over the air, the radio programs take on a Christmasy atmosphere and day by day you'll hear some broadcaster say "So many days to Christmas,"—no wait, I'm wrong. "So many shopping days to Christmas," as if the stores made Christmas.

Of course they do, to a certain extent, but it depends on a lot more than Christmas buying, and I don't think I need to go into all that. We all know what various persons and things are combined to make Christmas.

What, if we are youngsters, would Christmas mean without mother. She it is who listens to everyone's slightest wish, in order that she or dad can give to each one the very thing they want so badly—and she keeps it all a dark, delightful secret till Christmas morning. And she does not insist on everything being useful, like Aunt Cissy in "What Katy Did," who gave her niece a toothbrush!

The perennial joke about dad and junior's electric train has already been in the funny column again this season but all the same I love it! Even if the joke is old enough to grow whiskers it is part and parcel of Christmas!

They say (I wasn't there myself) that there were just as many grown-ups at the Santa Claus parade in Toronto last month as there were children. What does that prove to you? Doesn't it say we are all children when it comes to Christmas? And what do you think of the—what word shall I use to describe them—you know, the people who tell little children that there is no Santa Claus? What a lot these children miss! And honestly I can't see that it ever did a child any harm to believe in Santa. For myself I think we should give the children every chance to enjoy every innocent pleasure such as this that it is in our power to bestow. They are young such a short time!

Well, I suppose everyone does not think alike and if a person does honestly believe they are doing wrong in allowing children to believe in the myth of Santa Claus, and his sleigh and reindeer, coming on his yearly trip from the north pole to fill stockings, to put things on a Christmas tree, or under the pillow, then we'll just have to see it from their standpoint and respect their opinion as best we can. But of all universal favorites Santa Claus sure heads the list!

Any day now we'll hear the daily Christmas carols over the air. It has become a very special feature in connection with Christmas and thousands, all over the continent, listen every day, and as often a day as any radio station has them on their program; Good King Wenceslaus, The First Noel, Adeste Fidelis, Hark the Herald Angels Sing, O Little Town of Bethlehem, Christians Awake. Oh dear, I'll be filling the rest of this column if I keep on and you all know them quite as well as I do, and love every one, too, I know.

And I hope I hear some reader give us Charles Dickens' Christmas Carol over the air, (Maurice Boddington of CFRB perhaps), for what is Christmas without Scrooge, and Tiny Tim and Bob Crachitt, and the dear old children's poem, "The Night Before Christmas."

Don't leave it too late to think up what your paper-boy would like, get your greeting cards posted in good time so that the postmaster and staff can have Christmas too without being worn to a frazzle.

There is one thing I always connect with Christmas, guess what? Well, it's those fancy boxes of table raisins—big, plump, juicy raisins, still in their stalks. Are they ever delicious.

If I haven't said enough about Christmas watch out for me again next week—I can think of lots more lovely things to tell you, but just one thing more this week—don't miss seeing Mars in the eastern sky every night, that bright, shiny star glowing with a lovely reddish glow. It is northeast when it rises, or is when I am writing this—goes farther to the south through the night and ends up in the north-western sky, and can be seen, glowing still with a deep red glow, just before sunrise.

The astronomer says it will not be so bright, or so near us again for eight years!

Another star, called Sirius, rises in the southeast about midnight. It is an icy blue color in contrast to Mars but it is as brilliant. However, both are dimmed in brightness when, towards dawn, Venus appears in the east. You do not have to get up so very early, either, to see all these wonders, for our mornings, with our D.S.T., are dark until 8 o'clock and after.

Oh, but the winter stars are well worth getting up to see! You feel as if you could throw open your window, reach out and pick one, as you'd pluck a rose off a climbing rosebush, they seem so close! I wonder what they look like from an airplane? Some day I hope to see for myself. Till then I'll "see stars" from terra firma.

JOHN YULE RECEIVED EDUCATION IN AURORA

The death occurred at his late residence, Arnprior, on Sunday, of John C. Yule, well-known lumberman of that municipality. Mr. Yule was in his 71st year.

He was a member of a well-known Aurora family of other days, his father being the late Andrew Yule, J.P., a prominent municipal figure in the late 90's and early part of this century in Aurora.

Mr. Yule was educated at Aurora public and high schools. For some years he resided in the United States. He was a member of the United church. Interment was at Arnprior cemetery on Tuesday.

ERA AND EXPRESS APPRECIATES HELP

The Era and Express has decided not to print any Christmas cards this year, but we wish the public to know that this is because we are barely able to handle the more essential job printing requirements of the public.

During the past year The Era and Express has had to give up, because of lack of staff, printing contracts and "contacts" that had been in the past a great help financially, and frequently we have to disappoint people by saying that we cannot complete a job as soon as it is wanted.

We are trying to confine ourselves to the most essential printing, and, except for jobs that are necessarily rush, we are trying to complete work in the order in which it comes in. We appreciate greatly the courtesy of customers who anticipate needs and allow the printer both latitude and longitude.

People who use the newspaper for advertising events, rather than asking us to print bills, posters or mail material, are helping us and are doing a good job for themselves too, we believe. The Era and Express has a wide and intensive coverage. There are more copies (October average, 1,054) sold in the town of Newmarket than there are homes (householders receiving mail, 782), although that does not mean that every home gets a copy, for there are quite a few copies bought in Newmarket stores by people not living in the town.

We are just doing the best we can, under present circumstances, and hope that before long it may be possible to have the additional staff which will make it possible to take all the work that is offered and to "oblige" everybody.

TO THE EDITOR

Editor, The Era and Express: In view of the many conflicting and in some cases misleading statements that are being made almost daily with regard to the policies of the party of which I have the honor to be a member, being the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, I think I should again state, as I did during the recent election campaign, some of its aims and objectives.

In the first place, this party was organized and sponsored by Canadian citizens who realized that neither of the old parties were prepared to bring down the kind of legislation that was necessary for the well-being of the great majority of the people. The reason for the failure of the old parties in this regard was very apparent—both parties permitted the vested and monopolistic interests to control and dictate their policy, as indeed they are doing at the present time. It was clearly demonstrated in the 1930 and 1935 dominion elections when, first, the Conservative party was swept into power by virtue of promises made by R. B. Bennett re unemployment etc., and, secondly, the Liberal party was given an overwhelming majority on the strength of the promises and assurances of Mackenzie King that he would solve the unemployment problem and see that each man "had a full dinner pail."

Everyone now knows that both party leaders failed to implement their promises and that conditions went from bad to worse until the outbreak of this war, and I am convinced that the people of this country, other than those who are receiving preferential treatment, do not intend to permit the return to a condition of poverty and suffering in the midst of plenty, and will support the C.C.F. in order to obtain the necessary adjustment in our social order.

The results of recent provincial elections and provincial-federal by-elections in this country clearly show that the handwriting is on the wall and I note with some satisfaction that the cries of the representatives of the monopolistic interests become longer and louder as the C.C.F. grows stronger. They are trying to repeatedly raise the bogey of confiscation in so far as the farm and home is concerned.

This, of course, is untrue, as my party is definitely a farmer-labor party, which was formed to make it possible for both the urban worker and the farmer to own his farm and house outright, and to assure both an adequate annual income. I am sure that in spite of all the window dressing that is being given to proposed legislation, federally and provincially, it will finally be the responsibility of a C.C.F. government to bring down the necessary legislation. The practice of resorting to political expediency in order to catch votes at election time is something that a dissatisfied electorate will not tolerate much longer.

Hoping that you will see your way clear to publish this letter,

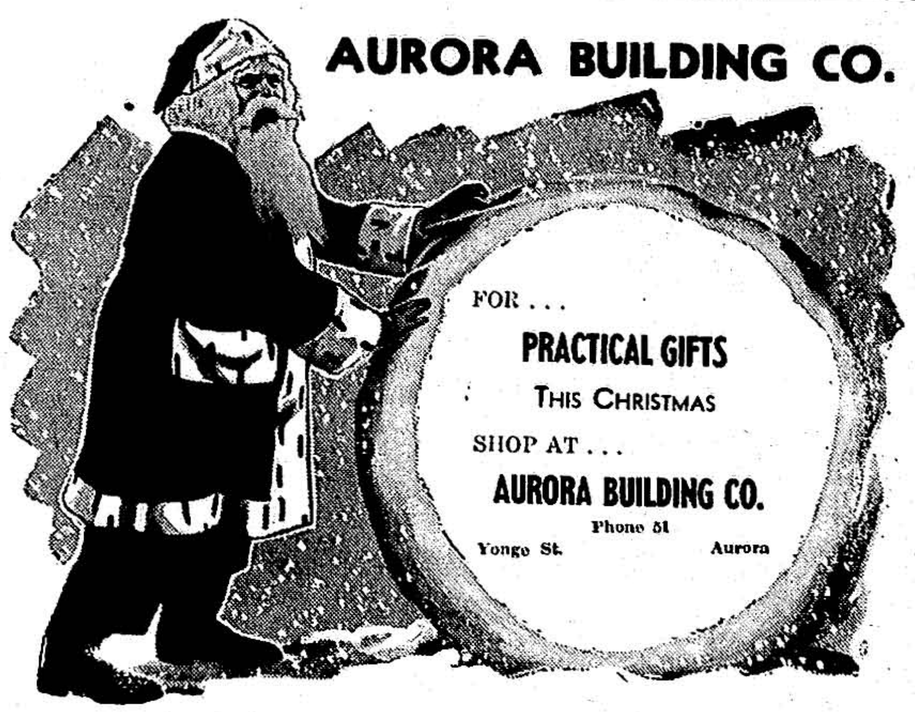
I am,
Yours sincerely,
Geo. Mitchell
Provincial Member,
North York.

Nov. 29, 1943

VICTORY CHORUS GIVES CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Aurora Victory chorus will give their first concert of the season on behalf of Aurora war charities on Tuesday evening in Aurora United church. The 70-voice choir, under the direction of Illtyd Harris, has a fine program arranged, featuring Dr. Healy Willan's "Mystery of Bethlehem," Holst's "Christmas Day," "The Hallelujah Chorus" and an arrangement of Christmas carols.

The Christmas message will be delivered by Rev. Roy Hicks. Guest artists for the occasion are Alice Strong Rourke, Newmarket, Terry Doane, Queensville, and David Ouchterloney, organist.



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ANSNORVELD

HOME IS COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY FIRE

A wedding of interest to the community took place in Hamilton recently when Miss H. Elgersma, Dundas, became the bride of Mr. A. Winter, Ansnorveld.

Among the guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. J. Miedema, Mrs. C. Nydam and Miss Jean Nydam, Miss M. Miedema and Mr. and Mrs. S. Oosterhuis, who stayed in Hamilton for a few days visiting friends.

Rev. and Mrs. M. Schans also attended the Winter-Elgersma wedding in Hamilton.

The home of C. and B. Saunders was completely destroyed by fire recently. They were unable to save any of the contents.

Rev. L. Trapp, Chatham, was visiting Rev. and Mrs. M. Schans on Thursday.

Mrs. H. Prins returned home again after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. A. Barselaar, Pickering.

ELMHURST BEACH

AC2 L. R. Lockerbie spent the weekend at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maw spent the weekend with Mrs. Maw's parents.

Mr. Wm. Armitage, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baines and Joan and Sub.-Lieut. Thos. Johnson of Vancouver visited Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Pollock.

The L.O.B.A. dance was a wonderful success.

One grocery basket went to Andrew O'Neil and Mr. Brien purchased the second basket.

Mrs. F. W. Lockerbie entertained the Elmhurst W.I. at her new home. Mrs. Hodgins, the president, gave a thorough report of the recent W.I. convention at the Royal York hotel, Toronto.

Mrs. Lockerbie read an interesting letter from a Calgary boy who is now in Italy, giving a full account of interesting experiences.

PINE ORCHARD

Mrs. Ross Armitage Is Willing Workers Head

There was a good attendance at the Willing Workers meeting at the home of Mrs. Milton Sheridan, assisted by Mrs. Elmer Starr, on Wednesday afternoon.

Election of officers resulted as follows: president, Mrs. Ross Armitage; vice-president, Mrs. Earl Toole; sec.-treas., Mrs. Edson Johnston; pianist, Mrs. J. Hope; program convenor, Mrs. A. M. Colville; lunch committee, Mrs. G. McClure; sewing and missionary convenor, Mrs. Alice Tucker; visiting, Mrs. R. Chapman and Mrs. Elmer Starr; auditors, Mrs. Needler and Mrs. Chas. Toole.

The society has had a successful year doing war work as well as sending a large bale of quilts and clothing to a Presbyterian mission in the west.

Mrs. R. R. McMath, Newmarket, gave a splendid talk on the customs and everyday life of the people in the Irish Free State. She exhibited many interesting souvenirs. The beautiful Irish linen pieces worked by the women showed the wonderful work that can be accomplished with a needle.

There was a good attendance at the Community club on Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dike.

Mr. George Richardson, Vandorf, was the guest speaker. He gave an interesting talk on the crosses of St. George, St. Andrew and St. Patrick, on the Union Jack and on Wales. His talk was illustrated by beautiful plaques in colors.

Mr. Richardson and Miss Mabel Carr dedicated a duet to the boys of the R.C.A.F.

At the next meeting on Jan. 7, a discussion on "Collective Farming" will take place.

Mr. Don. McCallum, Toronto, spent the weekend at his home.

Mrs. George Sproxton's mother, Mrs. John S. Taylor, Toronto, died Nov. 30. Interment was in Mount Pleasant cemetery, Toronto.

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1 Holstein cow, due Dec. 17
1 Holstein cow, due June 25
1 Holstein cow, due May 30
1 Black milk cow, due June 15
1 Black milk cow, due March 24
1 Black milk cow, due April 22
1 Roan milk cow, due Jan. 29
1 Brindle milk cow, due March 1
These cows are all bred to freshen on the above dates
1 Roan cow, calf by side
2 Durham heifers, 2 years old
2 Holstein heifers, 2 years old, bred
2 Hereford steers, 1 year old
2 Durham heifers, 1 year old
1 Holstein heifer, 1 year old
3 Durham heifer calves
1 Hereford bull
1 Holstein heifer
1 Durham heifer

SHEEP

10 Shropshire ewes 1 Ewe lamb
1 Ram

POULTRY

2 Geese 1 Gander 8 Young geese
40 Yearling hens

SWINE

7 Fat hogs 10 Fat hogs, 175 lbs.
3 Sows, bred 8 Hogs, 180 lbs.
8 Shoats 1 Yorkshire hog

IMPLEMENTS

1 McCormick-Deering separator (good)
1 Turnip pulper and electric motor
1 Electric fence with battery
1 Seed drill, 12 spout
1 Frost and Wood binder, 7 ft. cut
1 McCormick-Deering mower
1 John Deere manure spreader
1 Set of slings 1 Hay rake
1 Grain grinder
1 Case tractor plow
1 Fleury gang plow
1 Massey-Harris gang plow (new)
1 21 Fleury walking plow
1 Set harrows
1 Three-horse cultivator, spring tooth
1 Tractor cultivator, stiff tooth
1 Stone boat 1 Set of sleighs
1 Draw rope and slings 1 Hay rack
1 Truck wagon and box
1 Set of scales
Number of forks, shovels and stable broom

HARNESS

1 Double set breeching harness (good)
1 Double set back-band harness
4 Horse collars

GRAIN, ETC.

450 Bus. fall wheat
200 Bus. mixed grain
500 Bus. oats
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ROSE'S ORCHESTRA

THURSDAY, DEC. 16

TEN GEESE



THANKING

the electors of East Gwillimbury for the support they gave me in the municipal election. I regret that through illness I was not able to get around the municipality and make the acquaintance of more of my fellow citizens.

SAM. DEANS,

Holland Landing





HOPE

MRS. GEORGE PEGG IS W. A. PRESIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gibson and Greta attended the Dickson-Pegg wedding at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Will Pegg, Mount Albert, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Stickwood were supper guests on Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stickwood, Holt.

Miss Elsie Goode, Toronto, spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. M. L. Pegg.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wright, Queensville, visited Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pegg on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pegg and baby visited Mrs. J. Davis on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Elsie Goode was a supper guest on Sunday of Mrs. J. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Broderick and Mrs M. Hall spent Wednesday in Toronto.

Mrs. Robert Stickwood is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. I. Lepard, Holland Landing.

Mrs. Geo. Barker visited Mrs. W. Hall, Queensville, on Friday.

Quite a number in the community have been ill with the "flu."

The W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Pegg last Wednesday. The election of officers resulted as follows: pres., Mrs. Geo. Pegg; vice-pres., Mrs. Geo. Barker; sec.-treas., Mrs A. Dike; pianist, Mrs. S. Stickwood.

The W.A. is holding a pot-luck supper at the church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 15.

The W.A. held a quilting at the home of Mrs. A. Dike on Wednesday.

Among those who visited Mr. and Mrs. O. Stickwood on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stickwood, Claremont, Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Fairbarn and Donald, Sharon, and Mr. and Mrs. Don. Stickwood.

Mrs. Mary Purdy Was Ill For Six Months

Widow of Silas Burnham Purdy and long-time resident of Keswick, Mary Purdy died at her home Nov. 28. Daughter of Colin Philip from Aberdeen, Scotland, she was born at Brougham, Ontario county, Dec. 29, 1868.

Ill for six months, her death was not unexpected. Service was at the home Dec. 1. Rev. Gordon Lapp and Rev. C. E. Fockler, Maple, a former minister, were in charge.

Mrs. Irving Walker, Toronto, a relative, sang, and Mrs. Harold Pollard, Keswick, played. The pallbearers were six nephews, Fred. Cowie, Wm. Brooke, Dean Mairs, Francis Morton, Colin Madill and Philip Hamilton. Interment was at Queensville.

Predeceased in 1913 by her husband, Mrs. Purdy leaves five sons, John, Hamilton, William, Keswick, Horace, Long Branch, Clayton, Toronto, and Lawrence, Winnipeg; a sister, Mrs. Nellie Morton, Keswick; and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Maria Purdy, Toronto.

Throughout her long residence at Keswick, Mrs. Purdy was a member and active worker, first in the Christian church, later in the United church. She was also a member of the W.C.T.U. and the Women's Institute.

Many beautiful floral pieces, one from Indianola Beach Association, paid tributes of respect and sympathy.

Pleasantville

Mrs. Charles Chalklin spent a few days in Toronto last week.

Mrs. Alice Tucker, Miss Florence Tucker and Mr. Rowbotham had Sunday dinner at the home of Mr. Joshua Stickwood.

Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Sparks and two children, Newmarket, had Wednesday night tea with Mr. and Mrs. John McClure.

Mrs. Gordon McClure, Miss Dora McClure and Mr. Murray McClure had Sunday dinner at the home of Mr. A. Richardson, Aurora.

The Bogarttown school concert will be held at the school on Wednesday, Dec. 22.

Mr. Ira Morton motored to Oakwood on Sunday to spend the day with his parents and his brother.

Guests for Sunday dinner at the home of Mr. George Hunt were Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Patterson, Newmarket, and for tea Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Kay and children and Mrs. Norman Kay and Lorne Kay.

The Bogarttown community club will meet on Friday, Dec. 10, at the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Don. Wright, Newmarket, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Preston on Sunday.

The Institute meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at the home of Mrs. L. J. Harper. Papers will be given by Miss L. Starr and Miss Sadie McQueen. Roll-call will be name a character in Dickens' "Christmas Carol." A handkerchief shower will be held for the Willowdale children's home.

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There was a large turnout at the children's used clothing sale held last Thursday in the Citizen-Soldier club rooms. Proceeds amounted to $90.

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QUEENSVILLE

The United church Sunday-school Christmas concert will be held on Thursday, Dec. 23, in the Sunday-school room.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McNeil and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Still have moved into their new home, which they purchased from Arthur Brown.

Mr. Brown has moved to Toronto, where he has purchased a house in the Mount Pleasant district.

A large crowd attended the farm sale of implements and stock of Garnet Stiver last Friday. During the afternoon Mrs. Sennett's group of the Women's Association served lunch. Mr. Stiver finds that he is unable to continue farming and he and Mrs. Stiver are planning to move to Toronto in the spring.

Rev. H. Britton of the Baptist church, Queensville, has moved into the house owned by L. Hume, Toronto.

Miss Dorothy Shannon and Mr. and Mrs. Watts, Toronto, spent the weekend at the manse with their parents.

Dvr. Dan. Shannon, who has been stationed at Debert, N.S., was home on leave. He left for Nova Scotia on Tuesday.

Mrs. Legge, Toronto, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pearson.

The fall term of the nursing class will begin on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 8.30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. J. L. Smith.

The W.M.S. will hold their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, Dec. 16, at the home of Mrs. J. T. Cowieson. The officers for the coming year will be elected at this meeting.

Mrs. Thomas Brown, Orillia, is spending a short time with relatives and friends in this district.

Mrs. E. Stickwood was called to Madoc on Tuesday owing to the illness of her daughter-in-law.

The following articles were shipped to Red Cross headquarters recently: five quilts, two girls' dresses, two women's blouses, two sleeveless sweaters, two boys' caps, two prs. short socks, ten prs. soldiers' socks, ten prs. gloves.

REV. HARVEY LINNEN

Sunday evening, Dec. 12

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Holt

Holt public school will hold a Christmas concert on Monday evening, Dec. 20, at 8 o'clock sharp.

The wolf hunt is on and two wolves have been shot. The hunt will continue until all the wolves have been shot.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cliff, King City, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Couch on Sunday.

Mr. Lorne Gibney spent the weekend in Toronto with his sister, Audrey.

Rev. L. Slingerland returned Monday after spending two weeks with his sons at Frankford.

It costs only 25 cents (if paid in a week) to tell thousands of people about that article you do not need.

KING COUNCILLORS ARE RETURNED TO OFFICE

King township council was re-elected by acclamation. The nomination meeting took place on Nov. 26.

The nominations were as follows: reeve, Thomas MacMurchy, Lawrence B. Goodfellow, E. Milton Legge; deputy-reeve, Cameron E. Walkington, Lawrence B. Goodfellow, E. Milton Legge, Wm. E. Barker; council, William H. Kehoe, Clifford Douglas, E. Milton Legge, Cameron E. Walkington, William E. Barker and Roy Jennings.

Only the 1943 councillors qualified. The council consists of Reeve Thomas MacMurchy, Deputy-Reeve L. B. Goodfellow, and Councillors W. E. Barker, E. Milton Legge and Cameron E. Walkington.

Sharon

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Collins visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Evans, Newmarket, on Sunday.

Mr. L. K. Farr, Aurora, and Jim Cowieson, R.C.A.F., and a friend, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Farr on Sunday.

Mrs. John Tate, Gormley, spent a few days with Mrs. John Pinder.

Mrs. T. Brown, Orillia, visited friends in Sharon during the week.

Mr. Roy Oliver, Toronto, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Alan Case.

AC1 Richard Shaw, Camp Borden, spent the weekend at home.

AC2 Donald Kiteley, Belleville, spent Tuesday at home.

Mrs. Eugene Kiteley is spending a few days in Toronto.

Mrs. Douglas Mount and Dale left on Wednesday for Toronto after spending some months with her mother, Mrs. Evans.

Miss Hilda Rose spent last Thursday visiting her sister at Concord.

Miss Doris Mackie, Toronto, spent the weekend with the Fountain family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Vernon and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Walker, Union Street, on Sunday.

EDUCATE FOR LIVING, PREMIER DREW QUOTED

Trustee Mrs. J. C. R. Edwards gave Newmarket public school board at the King George school on Friday evening a report on the convention of the Ontario Public School Trustees and Ratepayers Association.

Dr. J. T. Phair, chief medical officer of health for the province, Mrs. Edwards said, told the convention that today "public health services embrace full physical examination of all pupils, dental check-ups, immunization against diphtheria and scarlet fever, vaccination against smallpox, supervision of pupils with tuberculosis, mental hygiene, nutrition, eyesight, hearing and many other phases, working with the teachers and parents."

"Where?" questioned Trustee Dr. G. E. Case.

"It is done in many larger centres," said Mrs. Edwards.

Dr. Phair said, Mrs. Edwards continued, that Dr. R. P. Vivian, minister of health, had no statement ready but that "an even more acceptable health scheme was being studied and prepared."

Mrs. Edwards reported that Premier George Drew had said that "we should use the full power of education in building our citizens of tomorrow. Even in the midst of war England is expanding her educational facilities beyond anything she has undertaken before, not only education for the children but for adults as well. People must be educated to make a living for themselves, but education has failed if those people have not learned how to live as well. Education should embody religious training and should teach the child that he has a responsibility to the state, to Canada and to God."

Assistant Chief Inspector C. F. Cannon, Mrs. Edwards reported, said that "teachers' salaries have increased in Ontario to the point where out of 8,000 teachers only 172 are receiving less than $900 a year, and 2,306 are receiving $1,200 or over." He feels that there is still room for greater increase in salaries and for better trained teachers. His advice to trustees is to hire the best teachers available, pay them good salaries, give them responsibility and leave them alone. Mr. Cannon reported that a splendid start has been made in religious training, for now 832 clergymen teach religious training in 2,000 classrooms.

Mrs. Edwards said that he held East York up as a shining example of citizens vitally interested in education and said that that township was making great strides in education, music, health and training for citizenship of both its youth and adults.

The board members thanked Mrs. Edwards for her report. Those present were Mrs. Edwards, L. H. Bovair, Dr. Case and Secretary R. L. Pritchard. Frank Bothwell was absent because of illness.

Principal H. A. Jackson reported that the average attendance for November was only 512 compared with 535 in October. There had been 863 pupil days lost due to illness.

"That is high," commented Mr. Pritchard. The percentage attendance for November was 91.7 compared with over 95 in September and October.

After discussion the board expelled a child for "persistent truancy" and asked that the York County Children's Aid Society look into the case.

On the motion of Dr. Case and Mrs. Edwards, the board asked the Home and School Association for co-operation in sponsoring an exhibition of local art during the winter months.

Mr. Bovair secured approval for improvement of the coal bin at the Alexander Muir school and replacement of worn-out transom hardware at the same school.

Holland Landing

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Kitching and daughter of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. Kitching.

Mrs. John Thompson is in York County hospital, Newmarket, with a serious attack of "flu."

Jack Wernham of the R.C.A.F. visited his parents on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Naismith, Toronto, spent the weekend with Mrs. Naismith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Goodwin.

Mr. John Sweet, Toronto, spent the weekend with his wife and family at his home here.

The Holland Landing school Christmas concert will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 21, at 8.15 p.m.

WILLOW BEACH

Mrs. Perry Graves is visiting at her son's home in Newmarket.

The Boys' Comforts club met at Mrs. H. Crittenden's on Wednesday.

Mrs. Ralph Teale, Regina, Sask., is visiting Mrs. Wm. Thompson.

Mrs. Carman Marritt spent last Thursday at Mrs. Lorne Mahoney's, Ravenshoe, and attended a Women's Institute meeting at Union St.

The Willow Beach unit had their meeting at Mrs. Wm. Thompson's last Wednesday.

Mr. Austin Thayer is in Toronto.

There is no charge for printing pictures in The Era and Express.

Brownhill

Mrs. Wilmot King has returned home from the hospital and is improving.

K. Williams was at his home over the weekend. He is stationed at Mimico.

There are quite a number of children with mumps in the town.

Miss Gertie Sedore is improving after undergoing an operation for appendicitis at York County hospital, Newmarket.

Union Street

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bartholomew, Marguerite, Philip, Kenneth and Sylvia visited Mr. and Mrs. Bert Boyd on Sunday.

Miss Margaret Morton spent Sunday with Miss Gwen Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Devey and family visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Friel and children, Mr. and Mrs. W. Joyce and children, and Mr. and Mrs. N. Joyce spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Newall.

Mr. B. Croutch and Mr. and Mrs. R. Croutch visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Croutch.

Sutton West

Sutton West, Dec. 2—Miss Evelyn Cockburn, Brantford, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. James Cockburn.

L.-Cpl. and Mrs. James Schmidt spent the weekend in town.

Mr. Don. Burnham visited friends in Sutton over the weekend.

Mrs. A. M. Hurst and daughter, Jeanne, spent last week with Mrs. Hurst's mother, Mrs. J. Cockburn.

Mr. Angus McMillan spent the weekend at his home here.

Ross Smalley, Jr., of the R.C.A.F., is spending a few days leave at his home here.

Miss Barbara Holborn and Misses Edith and Bev. Powell, Toronto, spent the weekend at their homes here.

Mrs. Wm. Crawford, Oshawa, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Boadway.

Miss Jean Graham, Toronto, spent the weekend in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hargrave, Toronto, spent the weekend with Mrs. Hargrave's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Park.

Maple Hill

Miss Viola Gillion spent last week with her grandmother at Stouffville.

There are several ill with the "flu."

The school was closed last week as the teacher, Miss Mahoney, was ill with the "flu."

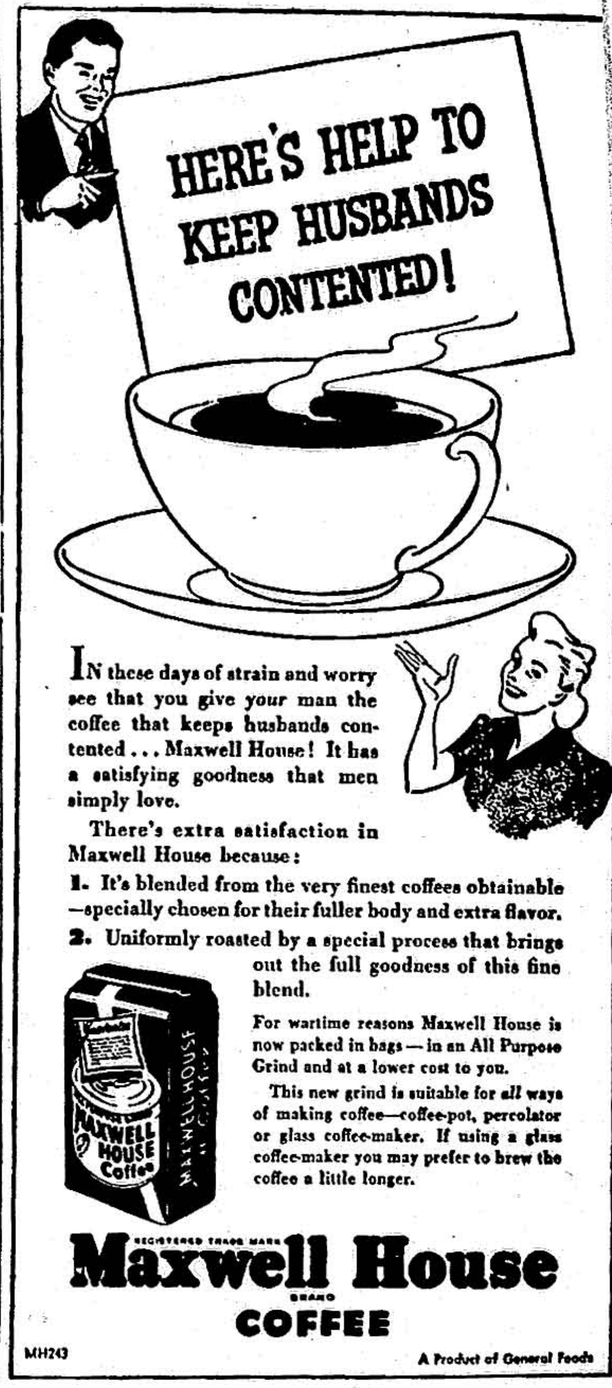
Cottage prayer meetings will be held during the winter months. This week the meeting will be held at the home of Sid. Kerr.

Students from the Baptist Seminary in Toronto took the young people's meeting last Monday night.

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MAKES ENQUIRIES ABOUT CHILDREN'S SPEECH CLINI

F. A. Battenberg, Scranton Pa., called on Mrs. J. W. Bowman, Newmarket, last Thursda to ask about her work with chil dren with speech defects. Mr Bowman has six daily pupil and two pupils once a week.



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THOUSANDS of men and women in uniform will be telephoning home this Christmas. This means a huge additional load on Long Distance facilities—especially "long haul" lines—already busy carrying essential war calls.

So again this year we urge you to send your Christmas greetings by mail. You can help the Post Office people, too, by arranging to send them early.

Should there be an out-of-town call you *must* make, please telephone as many days before Christmas as possible. In this way you will help us to handle promptly the flood of eager holiday greetings which will pour in from military camps all over the country. Thank you.

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CLUB IS DECORATED FOR RED CROSS CHRISTMAS TEA

The Soldiers' club was a pleasant place to pass away an hour with one's friends last Friday afternoon. It was the last Red Cross tea of the season and the Christmas idea was sustained throughout, even to delicious short bread cookies, made in the shape of Christmas trees and sprinkled with green sugar icing.

The centrepiece on the beautifully appointed tea-table was Christmas greens and Christmas candles, with tiny pine cones. The glowing candles sparkled on the silver service at each end and on the crystal holders with the old-time glass pendants, which emitted all the colors of a rainbow.

Mrs. W. L. Bosworth and Mrs. W. A. McCaffrey poured tea. Those who waited on the guests wore white uniforms with the Red Cross emblem and a white flower in their hair.

Classifieds can help you.

MAKE APPEAL

The Navy League of Canada is making a pre-Christmas appeal for funds. Gifts may be made to Robert Martin, Newmarket, treasurer of the Newmarket branch of the Navy League.

Social and Personal

—Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Carrick, Mr. Edward Quinn and Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Harrison, Toronto, called on Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Apps on Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Carrick and Mr. Quinn attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Joseph Carrick.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wilton attended the funeral of the late Mrs. A. R. Buckle in Toronto on Wednesday of last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Buckle, Youngstown, Ohio, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wilton, Yonge St. north, on Friday.

—Miss Alice Mills, Toronto, visited her sister, Mrs. Henry Edwards, and Mr. Edwards, on Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brammar and little daughter, Lorraine, visited relatives in Stouffville on Sunday.

—Miss Ruby Carruthers, Toronto, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carruthers.

—Flight-Lieut. and Mrs. John I. Mead, Hamilton, spent a couple of days last week with Mrs. Mead's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Elliott.

—Miss Valberg Erickson, Toronto, spent a couple of days last week as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Craig.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Craig, Mr. G. F. Newson, Rfmn. Nicholas Rennett, Niagara Falls, and Misses Genevieve and Marie Rennett, Toronto, spent Sunday in Barrie visiting Mr. Newson's brother, Mr. Roy Newson.

—Mr. Lon Rose spent Monday with his sister, Mrs. Stella Boyd. Mr. Rose has just recovered from a serious operation at St. Michael's hospital, Toronto.

FORMER NEWMARKET LADY DIES IN SASKATCHEWAN

Mrs. George Symons, formerly of Newmarket, died suddenly in Church Bridge, Sask., on Nov. 30. She was in her 33rd year. Mr. Symons was at one time manager of the Imperial service station, Main St., Newmarket.

Surviving besides her husband are her father, Mr. Robson, living in Saskatchewan, one brother, Bert, overseas, and one sister, Mrs Gladys Sinclair, Saskatchewan.

The funeral service was held in Church Bridge, Sask., last Thursday. Interment was in Church Bridge cemetery.

PASTOR TELLS HOW MEN MAY WIN WORLD PEACE

"The commercialization of Christmas tends to obscure the central fact of Christmas—the Christmas story." Rev. Henry Cotton, pastor of Trinity United church, said on Sunday morning.

"It is not only the loveliest story but it contains the only hope of man. 'For unto us is born this day a Saviour.' Man needs a vision of his true destiny, and, having this, he will say reverently, humbly, not 'Give me' but 'Forgive me,' and we will have that fellowship of which we all stand in need.

"God does not cause wars. God does not set us destroying each other. We shall win the war in the not too distant future. The peace will be harder to win, lasting, enduring peace, but it will come if we turn to God and find our peace in Him as individuals, as nations."

"CHINA GIRL" COMES TO STRAND



She learned to say "Johnny, I love you" .... but it took a lot of teaching from a fighting Yank! In this scene from the new 20th Century-Fox hit, "China Girl," Gene Tierney and George Montgomery find time for thrilling romance in a world teeming with fury and flame. Lynn Bari is starred with them in the picture which plays Monday and Tuesday at the Strand theatre.

THE COMMON ROUND

By Isabel Inglis Colville

LUNCHEON

Why is it that when we eat we lose much of the reserve or we lose much of the reserve or shyness, or whatever it is that shuts us away from free intercourse with our fellows? Think it over and, if a brilliant solution occurs to you, write me. I have my own, but I think I'll keep it to myself.

Whatever the reason, the fact remains that food—as a rule—has a mellowing influence, and one is prepared to enjoy whatever worth-while thing crops up during its consumption or following it. The luncheon for the Women's Institutes at the Royal York, Nov. 11, was no exception.

The luncheon itself was excellent, half grapefruit, creamed chicken and mushrooms, green peas, mashed potatoes, ice-cream with crushed berries, sponge cake and coffee.

Our table found many interesting things to discuss. We had one of the girls who took part in the girls' session in the morning. I forget where she came from, but she told us it was their first year, and that they had gotten so much from it. They had made slips and dresses, and felt they gained a great deal.

Then came the speakers. Mrs. Houck, chairman, spoke a few introductory words, of her pleasure at the presence of Mrs. Watts, M.B.E., president of the Federated Country Women of the World, of a representative from the Hamilton area, Mrs. Lloyd Lymburner, of Mrs. P. W. Merry of the Guelph area, Mrs. Frank Hawson from the Simcoe area, also Mrs. Holmes, president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario. Too, Mrs. Hutcheson of Australia and Mrs. Cole of England were present, and Mrs. Drew and Mrs. Kennedy were introduced.

Mrs. Houck spoke of the great power of organized country women, power to make and mould Canada well. We should follow the example of Queen Elizabeth, who goes beyond her mere duty, and by so doing be worthy of our pioneer ancestors.

Miss Rosa Hermanson of Toronto then sang two songs—"Morning" and "L'Amour, Toujours L'Amour." Her voice didn't appeal to me, but that is no criterion of its beauty—it probably appealed to others—the chairman said she'd give a million dollars to have one like it, so what am I to criticize.

Hon. T. L. Kennedy said a few words, expressing the pleasure he always felt when called upon to address the Institutes.

Our post-war aim should be to give a decent life and pleasant surroundings to our young people, and so be able to stay the exodus from the farms.

Then came the speakers, we were all anxious to hear—Premier George Drew.

He said the thought of the first Armistice day was vivid in everyone's mind, so vivid it was hard to realize that 25 years had passed. Year after year we celebrate the armistice, but never a celebration for the actual signing of the terms of peace and it's symbolic, for the war never ended.

In hearts and brain, everyone who remembers that event is determined that never will we celebrate an ARMISTICE—this time we will celebrate victory and ONLY victory!

We have paid too high a price to let Germany arm again. The Institutes, said he, are doing a magnificent work—on the home and battle fronts. Our support of clinics, recreation, education, encouragement of hobbies and cultural facilities, and religious leadership are working toward and building strong Canadian homes.

We must do with all our might whatever our hands find to do, and our programs show just how much our hands do find to do. We must take a positive, vocal and vital part in all good work. We must be prepared to meet the tests of peace, planning for our own country, educating the young.

We must face facts and truths with stark realism, and we must have knowledge before we can talk or plan for the peace.

We must not live in a fool's paradise; facts and truths are what we need today. Women are the spiritual guardians of the home—children of today are the makers of tomorrow.

Canada will pay a magnificent harvest in the world of tomorrow. If, as a nation we are cleansed and purified by our gallant youth, Canada may see the brightest days she has ever known.

Mrs. Houck thanked the premier for his inspiring words, thanks which we all echoed in our hearts. Miss Vernon then sang "There is no Death" and the "Lord's Prayer," after which Mrs. Miller voiced the appreciation of the members to all those who contributed to the program.

Next week I shall write a few highlights, as seen by other eyes, of the meetings at which I was not present.

RECEIVE DONATIONS

Donations for the Newmarket Veterans' Comforts fund have been received from the Good Cheer class of the Congregational-Christian church, $5; Councillor Wm. Dixon, $2.

LOCAL MARKET

Three buyers on the market on Friday afternoon and a large number of fowl made a busier market.

Butter sold at 40 cents a pound. Young chickens were 32 cents a pound and hens, 28 to 30 cents a pound. Eggs were 48 and 50 cents a dozen.

TORONTO MARKETS

On the Toronto markets on Tuesday, butter, creamery solids, No. 1, brought 35 cents a pound, and creamery prints, first grade, were quoted to retail trade at 36½ cents a pound.

Country dealers were quoted on graded eggs, cases free, delivered to Toronto, for grade A large, 48½ to 49 cents a dozen; A medium, 46½ to 47 cents a dozen; A pullets, 43½ cents a dozen.

Nominal prices to the shipper for spring broilers were: 1¼ to 1¾ pounds, 28 cents; fowl, over 5 pounds, 26½ cents; chickens, over 5 pounds, 30 cents; young turkeys and young geese, heads and wingtips off, 24 cents; young ducks, heads and wingtips off, 26 cents.

A few weighty steers sold at $11 to $12.50; butcher steers, $10 to $11.85; heifers, $10 to $11.50; butcher cows, $7 to $8.50, with a few at $9; canners and cutters, $5 to $6.50; fed yearlings, $11.75 to $13.50 and stockers, slowly at $7.50 to $10.25.

Choice veal calves brought $15 to $15.50 with a few tops at $16 and other vealers downward to $10; grass calves were $6.50 to $7.50.

Lambs traded at $12.25 to $12.50 for good ewes and wethers with bucks $1 discount and culls $6 to $8.50. Sheep were $3 to $7 at the close.

Hogs sold at $17.15 dressed-weight and sows $13 dressed-weight.

The Era and Express makes a lovely Christmas gift.

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT A CACTUS WHEN

(By Rudy Renzius, Newmarket Horticultural Society)

After a summer of taking care of a half-acre garden, or so, house plants may seem a small thing to bother with. But it's time to choose some plants now, if you intend to have some cheerful flowers or maybe foliage plants to grace your abode for the next drab one half year.

For the busy person there is, of course, all the cacti and thick-leafed plants such as aspidistras and rubber-plants that take very little looking after and some of which seem to thrive on being forgotten. Most cacti are true Americans, as we have many different ones native to this continent.

The best known one is possibly the Christmas cactus, called so because it usually flowers around the holidays. It has a lovely Latin name, Zygocactus Truncatus. Being one of the orchid cacti, it has bunches of fuchsia-like pink blossoms at the end of the leaves. It grows to quite a size, likes more moisture than most cacti and doesn't mind shade. They don't like frost, however. Sixty to seventy degrees is perfect.

When planting cacti use a light sandy soil, so that excess water may drain away. As a rule, water only when the soil is dry. This may be within a few days or it may be weeks, depending on the dryness of the atmosphere in the room. Glazed pots dry out much more slowly and use less water. Don't over-water and kill your cacti with kindness, and you will have complete success.

Christmas cactus should have a rest from July to September. When it starts turning a reddish color, bring it in the house, work some dried cow manure into the top-soil, keep it watered and it should reward you with many blossoms.

Water all cacti from below if possible. Raising cacti is a grand hobby. One finds something new every time one looks at them, particularly through a magnifying glass.

TRINITY W.A. ELECTS OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

The Christmas meeting of the W.A. of Trinity United church was held last Thursday, with the president, Mrs. Frank Bothwell, presiding.

Mrs. J. Murphy read the lesson and gave the lesson thoughts, after which Rev. Henry Cotton led in prayer.

Mrs. R. L. Pritchard told the origin of some of the traditional Christmas customs. A paper on Christmas hymns and carols was given by Mrs. Bothwell.

The yearly reports showed a successful year and the slate of officers for 1944 was presented by Mrs. Paul Arlitt: honorary president, Mrs. Henry Cotton; past president, Mrs. Wesley Brooks; president, Mrs. Frank Bothwell; vice-presidents, Mrs. M. B. Seldon, Mrs. R. L. Pritchard; recording secretary, Mrs. R. Howlett; corresponding secretary, Mrs. G. W. Luesby; financial secretary, Mrs. Paul Arlitt; treasurer, Mrs. H. M. Hooker.

Rev. Henry Cotton conducted the election of officers. A social half hour followed.



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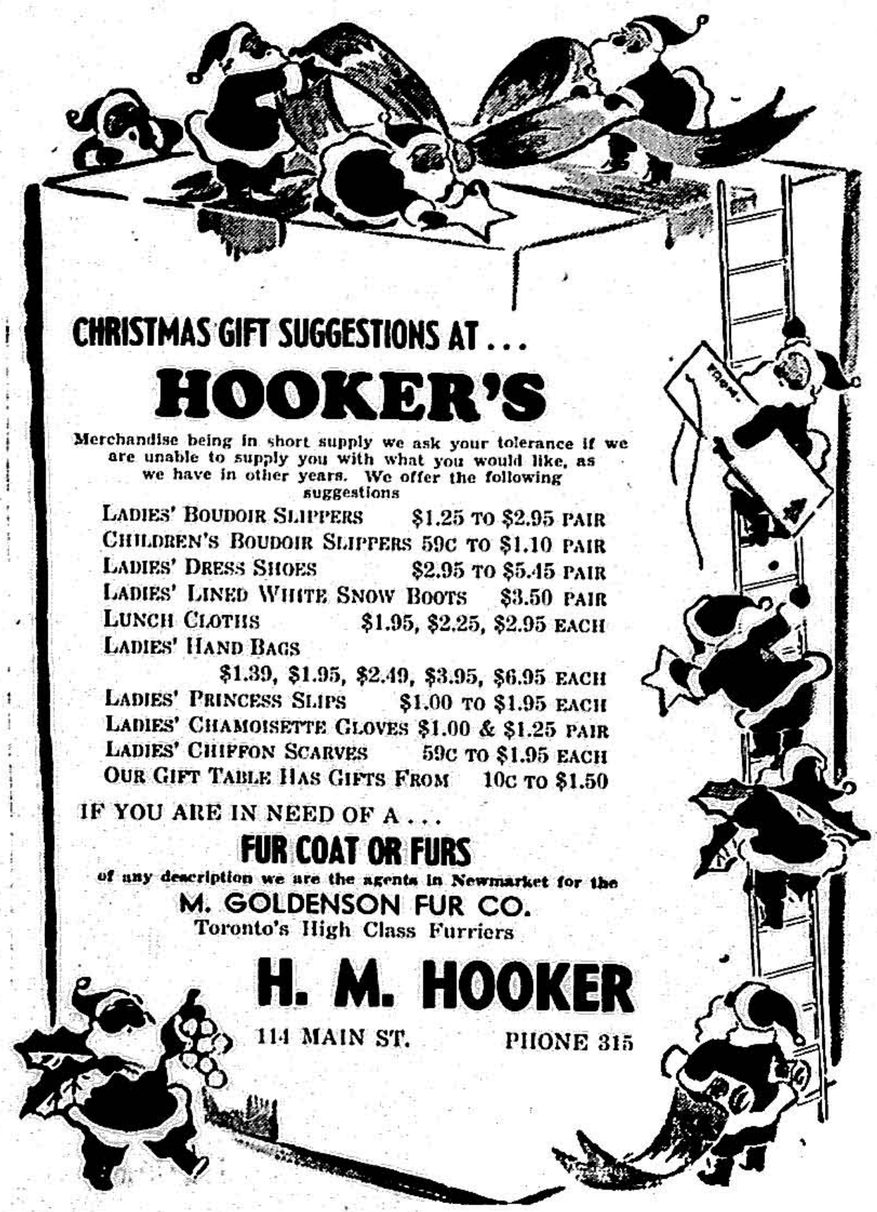
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Only One Entry Can Be Accepted From One Person Or One Family Or One Household

There were 63 correct sets of answers sent in by puzzle fans last week. A few others were late or incorrect. The non-winning correct answers will be credited to those who sent them in and kept for reference in breaking future ties.

The five winners were: Mrs. A. Barber, 5 Niagara St., Newmarket; Mrs. A. Thompson, Newmarket; Clarence DeLaHaye, 55 Timothy St. W., Newmarket; William Groombridge, R. R. 1, Schomberg; Mrs. Ross Armitage, R. R. 3, Newmarket.

These winners have their choice of the program at the Strand theatre on Tuesday, Dec. 14, when George Montgomery, Gene Tierney and Victor McLaglen star in "China Girl," and an added feature is "Queen of Broadway," or on Thursday, Dec. 16, when Merle Oberon, Dennis Morgan and Rita Hayworth star in "Affectionately Yours," and the added attraction is "Man Power." The winners may pick up their double passes any evening at the Strand theatre.

The correct answers were: educational, canaries, overshoes, punishment, skating, morning, caretaker, hemlock, working, general.

THIS WEEK'S CONTEST

The five winners of this week's contest will have their choice of the program at the Strand theatre on Tuesday, Dec. 21, when "Swing Time" and "Five Came Back" are the features, or on Thursday, Dec. 23, when "Alaska Highway" and "You'll Find Out" are the features.

Note These Rules

Entries must be in the contestant's own handwriting, as, in fairness to all, only one entry will be accepted from any one person and in future only one entry will be accepted from any one family or household. Answers must reach The Era and Express office by 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday.

The ten classified words have been scrambled and all the vowels have been dropped. Here they are: **GMYHN, DCRYR, SDPBDR, NSRTP, CTCPLB, DRWHD, BRLL, SBNRL, CTRCYL, RTSML.**

WANT-ADS

The rate for Want Ads is 25 cents for 25 words for one insertion; 40 cents for two insertions; 50 cents for three insertions. For over 25 words, each additional word, one insertion, one cent, additional insertions, one-half cent per insertion. 25c extra if not paid within week of first insertion, 10c extra for use of box number.

5 FOR SALE OR RENT

See our window for large list of properties for sale. E. A. Boyd & Co. c1w45

5A FOR RENT

For rent—At Pearson's Crossing. Four acres of land, house, barn and some fruit. Rent reasonable. Apply G. W. Curtis, box 228, Newmarket. c3w45

6 HOUSE FOR RENT

For rent—Brick house. Four or five rooms. 1½ miles out of town. Careful tenants only. E. A. Boyd & Co. c1w45

6A HOUSE WANTED

Wanted to buy—A small house, bungalow preferred, with all conveniences, possession in the spring. Cash price. Write Era and Express box 775. *2w44

6B WANTED TO RENT

Wanted to rent—For winter months. Warm garage, centrally located, Newmarket. Apply Era and Express box 778. *3w45

12 ROOMS FOR RENT

For rent—Two heated, furnished rooms. Ground floor, separate entrance. Fitted for housekeeping. Electric stove, continuous hot water. 19 Niagara St., Newmarket. *3w45

15 BOARDERS WANTED

Boarders wanted—Good home for aged women, invalids or semi-invalids acceptable. Apply Era and Express box 776. *4w45

Lady will take care of child weekly or monthly. Write post office box 879, Newmarket. *1w45

17 ARTICLES FOR SALE

For sale—Pair of girl's tube skates, size 6. $3.50. Apply Era and Express box 777. *1w45

For sale—Bedspread. Rocking chair. Apply 8 Cedar St., Newmarket, upstairs. *1w45

For sale—One pair of boy's skates and boots, size 8. Two seasons wear. Price $3.50. Phone 565, Newmarket. c1w45

For sale—Sherlock - Manning piano. Good condition. Upright style. Mahogany finish. Apply Wm. Purdy, "Craigmaur," Keswick. *1w45

For sale—Girl's blue corduroy velvet skating dress. Size 12. Satin lined. Worn only few times. Apply 58 Main St., Newmarket (above Stedman's). *1w45

For sale—2 girls' ski suits, 14-16 yrs., 1 lady's coat, size 16, 3 pairs boys' skates, 4-5-5½, lady's skates, size 8, pair short rubber boots, size 5, pair hi-cuts, size 6. All in good condition. Apply 35 Queen St. W., Newmarket. *1w45

For sale—English doll pram. Made of pre-war materials. Maroon. In excellent condition. Apply 58 Main St., Newmarket, (above Stedman's). *1w45

For sale—Blue wicker, rubber-tired doll carriage. Also large doll bed with drop side and mattress. Both in good condition. Phone 92r4, Roche's Point. *1w45

For sale—Pair maple skiis, harness and steel poles. $12. Apply 71 Botsford St., Newmarket, or phone 554. *1w45

For sale—Hardwood and Christmas trees. 16 Lydia St., phone Newmarket 596j. c2w45

For sale—Pennsylvania Quebec cook stove. Good condition. Apply Morrison's Men's Wear store.

For sale—Choice Border canaries. H. Draper, highway 11, Holland Landing, phone Newmarket 51j3. *4w44

For sale—Six pairs of skates and boots, sizes 12, 1, 5½, 7 and one pair of girl's speed skates, size 5. Apply Budd Studio, Newmarket. tf44

For sale—Rubbers. Stop! Look! Men's full grain leather high top, laced roll edge rubbers. Now available at Insley's Men's Wear. Act quickly. Sizes 6 to 11. *4w44

For sale—One cook stove range, Renfrew. Apply Mrs. Gladys Forsythe, Holland Landing. c2w44

For sale—At Insley's. Men's Turnbull's 432 Ceetee pure wool combinations. Size 40's for men troubled with arthritis or rheumatism. *3w43

For sale—Hardwood. Cut in stove lengths. Delivered. Apply Garnet Fairbarn, Sharon, or phone Queensville 1709. *3w43

For sale—Ladies' and children's shoes at Hooker's Dry Goods Store. tf23

For sale—Stop! Look! Farmers and bushmen. Available at Insley's Men's Wear, men's wool tweed breeches, double cloth knee, $5.50. Also high leather-top rubbers, $5. *3w45

18 ARTICLES WANTED

Wanted to buy—Child's tricycle. In good condition. Mathew Kneeshaw, R. R. 2, Bradford, phone 39r15 Bradford. *1w45

Wanted to buy—Sewing machine in good condition. Will pay cash. Apply post office box 552, Newmarket. *1w45

Wanted to buy—Filing cabinet suitable for letters and invoices, etc. Apply Insley's Men's Wear. *1w45

Wanted to buy—Two doll carriages and one tricycle. Mrs. W. L. Stone, 10 Simcoe St. E., Newmarket. c1w45

Wanted to buy—Toboggan, 5 or 6 ft. long. Phone 654w, Newmarket. c1w45

Wanted to buy—Used bob-sleigh. Also small cook stove for coal or wood. Phone 681, Newmarket. c3w44

Wanted to buy—Used doll carriage. In good condition. Apply Mrs. Walter Horlings, R. R. 2, Newmarket, or phone 125r3, Bradford. *2w44

19 USED CAR FOR SALE

For sale—'29 Chevrolet sedan. With six tires. Apply W. C. Playter, R. R. 3, Newmarket. *2w45

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22 HELP WANTED

Help wanted—Married man to work on farm. Apply Newmarket Dairy, Newmarket, or phone 252. c1w45

Help wanted—Reliable cook general or housekeeper. Small family. Other help kept. Apply National Selective Service, Newmarket. c1w45

TEACHER WANTED

S. S. No. 5, North Gwillimbury, "Mount Pleasant." Duties to commence on Jan. 3rd. Apply, stating qualifications and salary expected, to Max Stiles, secretary, Sutton West, Ont. c1w45

WANTED

Wanted—Caretaker for Newmarket high school. Applications will be received up to Dec. 17, 1943. State salary expected. Apply to Selective Service Office, 93 Main St., Newmarket. c2w44

Help wanted—Girl for general housework. References required. Write Era and Express box 773. tf43

23 WORK WANTED

Work wanted—Part time housework. Phone 421, Newmarket. *2w45

24 LOST

Lost—Saturday, Dec. 4, lady's heavy kid glove. Prospect Ave., Main St., or Timothy St. Please leave at Dr. Gunton's office. c1w45

Lost—About Nov. 23. Two hounds, one blue tick and one nearly black. Reward. Apply Wm. Lewis, Queensville. *3w43

27 FARM ITEMS

For sale—A quantity of stove wood and some barn timbers. Apply E. Blizzard, Eagle St., at stop light. *3w44

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RED CLOVER GROWERS

We are now buyers of Red Clover, Mammoth Alfalfa and Alsike under the new government plan for farmers to share in the profits from the resale of export seed. Our machinery is equipped to handle your seed with the minimum of loss. We also buy Timothy and Sweet Clover. Send in your samples for valuation or better still phone Bradford 47-24, and I will call and pick up your seed, remit promptly and am authorized by the seed export board to issue participation certificate. H. R. Williams, Bradford, phone Bradford 47-24. *5w43

Wanted to buy—Healthy, aged horses and injured animals. J. A. Cummings, Ravenshoe, or telephone Mount Albert 1707. tf43

For sale—Quantity of lumber, old bricks, discs, plow points, harrows, also other farm implement parts. Apply at old Fleury Implement Building, opposite Ordnance. A. Hartsman. Phone Aurora 26j. *a4w42

28 LIVESTOCK FOR SALE

For sale—Durham cow. Due to freshen now. Apply R. F. Cunningham, Holt. *1w45

For sale—Good sized pony. Apply Lewis Rollings, 2½ miles north of Queensville. c3w43

29 POULTRY FOR SALE

For sale—16 good Rock roosters. Mrs. J. Jones, 1¼ miles north of Queensville on highway. *1w45

For sale—White Leghorn pullets, 6 months old. Mrs. Wm. Reid, R. R. 3, Newmarket, or phone 211j2. c1w45

31 MISCELLANEOUS

For sale—At Insley's Men's and Boys' Wear. Small boys' outfits, shirt-waist, tie, belt and blue cheviot knee pants, ages 3 to 6, $2.25. *1w45

TRUCKING

Trucking—3 yd. dump truck for hire. $2 per hour. 2 Catherine Ave., Aurora. c3w45

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For sale—At Insley's men's better quality army khaki dress shirts, socks and ties. Why not please him this Christmas? *4w42

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For rent—Hospital beds and wheel chairs. Theaker & Son, Mount Albert, or phone Mount Albert 3503. tf25

For sale—Trusses, surgical supports, elastic hosiery, for those who suffer from varicose veins, ankle and knee troubles. Arch supports. Lumbago belts. Best's Drug Store, phone 14, Newmarket.

Stoker Service—All makes—summer clean-out service—avoid rush. Allen Electric Company Ltd., Toronto, MI1158. tf24

For sale—At Insley's. Boys' blue cheviot serge long pants, roomy pockets, belt loops and cuffs. Ages 8 to 16 yrs. *1w45

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Wanted to buy—Fox feed. Old horses, dead horses, dead cows. We pay for the dead animals if they are fit for our use. Advise immediately as dead stock soon spoils. G. B. Thompson, Holland Landing, phone 51j1, Newmarket. tf30

CARS, TRUCKS AND TRACTORS WANTED

Wanted to buy—Cars, trucks and tractors wanted for wrecking and scrapping. Apply Goodman Auto Wreckers, Newmarket. tf38

CAR, TRUCK AND TRACTOR PARTS

For sale—New and used car, truck and tractor parts. Apply Goodman Auto Wreckers, Newmarket. tf38

Slendor tablets—harmless and effective. 2 weeks' supply. $1; 3 months' $5. At Bell's Drug Store, Newmarket. c10w39

33 PETS

For sale—Collie pups. Ready to go. James A. Edwards, box 60, Belhaven. *1w45

For sale—Puppies. German shepherd, male and female. Parents are noted watch dogs. Make nice Christmas presents. Priced right. Harvey Kennedy, phone 80r4, Aurora. c1w45

SALE REGISTER

Friday, Dec. 10—Auction sale of farm stock, implements and household furniture, the property of John King, Sutton, Base Line, North Gwillimbury, first farm west of Sutton. Implements include two tractors, etc. Sale at 12.30 p.m. Stanley G. Miller, Zephyr, auctioneer. *1w45

Wednesday, Dec. 22—Auction sale of farm stock, implements and household furnishings belonging to the estate of the late John T. Smith at his late farm residence, lot 16, con. 2, North Gwillimbury, one-half mile from Keswick on the Lake Shore road. Terms cash. J. F. Kavanagh, auctioneer. Mervin Connell, clerk. Percy Mahoney, treasurer. George W. White, administrator. c2w45

BIRTHS

Sheridan—At York County hospital, Dec. 4, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sheridan, Aurora, R. R. 2, a son.

White—At York County hospital, Dec. 4, to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White, Gormley, R. R. 1, a daughter.

DEATHS

Boyd—At the home of his daughter, Mrs. Wesley Eves, 4th con., Whitchurch, on Monday, Dec. 6, 1943, Samuel James Boyd, husband of the late Ada Wideman, father of Delos, Oak Ridges; Gordon, Harold, Grace and Clifford, Newmarket; Bert, Queensville; Gladys, Baldwin; Myrl, Buttonville; Norman, Richmond Hill; Percy, Mabel and Kathleen, Toronto.

The funeral service was held at the chapel of Roadhouse and Rose this afternoon. Interment Aurora cemetery.

Brodie—At Toronto, on Saturday, Dec. 4, Carl Montgomery Brodie, husband of Leila Manning Brodie, and only brother of Mrs. Miller Lash and Mrs. William McCalg.

The funeral service was held in Toronto on Tuesday afternoon. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Burch—Suddenly, at the East General hospital, Toronto, on Monday, Dec. 6, 1943, James Watson Burch, husband of Hannah Burch and father of Leonard, Sutton; Amy (Mrs. J. Adam), Sudbury; and

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

AND OTHERS IN THE ESTATE OF CARRIE LOUISE DENNIS, DECEASED

All persons having claims against Carrie Louise Dennis, late of the Town of Newmarket, in the County of York, spinster, who died on or about the 17th day of November, A.D., 1943, are hereby notified to send to the undersigned, on or before the 31st day of December, 1943, full particulars of their claims. After the said date, the Executors will distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

Dated at Newmarket, Ont., this 8th day of December, A.D., 1943.

Allan M. Mills,
Newmarket, Ont.
Solicitor for the Executors. c3w45

Nell (Mrs. A. Haigh), and Edith, both of Detroit.

The funeral service was held at St. James' church, Sutton, this afternoon. Interment Briar Hill cemetery, Sutton.

Carrick—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Gladman, Newmarket, on Thursday, Dec. 2, 1943, Agnes Cowie, wife of the late Joseph Carrick.

The funeral service was held at the chapel of Roadhouse and Rose on Saturday afternoon. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Flumerfelt—In Bronte, Ont., at her home, on Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1943, Harriet Maria Flumerfelt, wife of the late Joseph S. Flumerfelt and mother of Herbert, Buffalo; Harry, Calgary; Allie, Bronte; Mrs. A. E. Pickard (Mina), Mrs. E. C. Tuck (Mildred), Burlington, and sister of the late Lyman Jackson, in her 86th year.

Hendricks—Suddenly at St. Joseph's hospital, on Thursday, Dec. 2, 1943, George J. Hendricks, husband of Beatrice Doane and father of Gary, of 173 Westmount Ave., Toronto.

The funeral service was held in Toronto on Saturday afternoon. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Moore—At his home, Coboconk, Ont., on Saturday, Dec. 4, 1943, Christmas Henry Moore, brother of Mrs. Sarah Smelster of Coboconk, and brother-in-law of the late Dr. J. W. Smeltser, King.

The funeral service was held from his late residence, Coboconk, on Tuesday afternoon. Interment Norland cemetery.

Thom—At her late residence, 22 Temperance St., Aurora, on Thursday, Dec. 9, Phoebe, widow of the late Charles Thom, mother of Mrs. Charles Thom, Jr., Mrs. W. Lubbock, Aurora, Mrs. Ida Nixon, and Edward, Cleveland, in her 96th year.

Resting at above address for service Saturday, Dec. 11, at 3 p.m. Interment Aurora cemetery.

Webb—Suddenly, on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1943, at his late residence, Maple Lodge Farm, lot 26, con. 2, King township, William Ira Webb, in his 49th year, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Webb and brother of Dr. Frederick, North Battleford; Mrs. Wilson (Maude), Dudley, Ruth and Mrs. Pell (Rhoda), all of Toronto, and Hazel, at home.

Resting at the above address for service Friday at 2.30 o'clock. Interment Aurora cemetery.

Yule—On Sunday, Dec. 5, 1943, at his residence, Harrington St., Arnprior, Ont., John C. Yule, formerly of Aurora, son of the late Andrew Yule, aged 71 years.

The funeral service was held at Grace St. Andrew's United church, Arnprior, on Tuesday afternoon. Interment Arnprior cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Walter Foster and family wish to convey their many thanks to the Aurora neighbors and friends who were so kind during her recent illness while at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Collett.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. A. Larsen and family wish to extend their sincere thanks for the beautiful floral tributes received, also to the town council, the Veterans' Association and the Good Cheer class of the Christian church, and all their many friends who showed their sympathy at their beloved son's burial.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollingshead, Holland Landing, wish to thank their numerous friends and neighbors for the useful miscellaneous shower given them on the opening of their new home on Dec 1.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mrs. Wm. Cunningham wish to express their deep gratitude to their many friends and relatives for the kindness and sympathy extended to them in their recent bereavement.

In Memoriam

Ough—In loving memory of our dear mother, Annie Ough, who passed away Dec. 10, 1942.

A wonderful mother, woman and aid,
One who was better God never made.
A wonderful worker, loyal and true,
One in a million, that mother was you.
Just in your judgment, always right.
Honest and liberal, ever upright.
Loved by your friends and all you knew.
A wonderful mother, that mother was you.

Fondly remembered by your sons, John, Leonard and Arthur.

Ough—In loving memory of our dear grandmother, Mrs. Annie Ough, who died Dec. 10, 1942.

There's a sad but sweet remembrance,
There is memory fond and true;
There is a token of affection, grandmother,
And a heartache still for you.

Lovingly remembered by the Selby family.

CHURCHES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The friendly church on the top of the hill
Pastor: REV. ALEX'R B. STEIN
11 a.m.—"THE RICHES OF CHRIST"
2.30 p.m.—Sunday-school
7 p.m.—"A TRAGIC FLIGHT"
Tues., 8 p.m.—Christian Endeavor
Wed., 8 p.m.—Prayer meeting
Weekly thought: "Hope is faith with her feet on the rock and her face toward the morning."
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Rev. L. E. Sparks — Minister
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10. a.m.—Sunday-school
11 p.m.—Speaker - Representative Ontario Temperance Federation
7 p.m.—Songfest and Gospel preaching
Tues., Dec. 21—Christmas program

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

31 Millard Ave.
10 a.m.—Sunday-school
11 a.m.—Preaching
7 p.m.—Preaching by Rev. M. S. Benn, Holland Landing
Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer meeting
Friday, 8 p.m.—Class meeting
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NEWMARKET GOSPEL TABERNACLE

Associated Gospel Churches of Canada
12 Millard Ave.
Pastor: REV. L. R. COUPLAND
9.50 a.m.—Bible school
11 a.m.—"LIVING THEATRES"
7 p.m.—Gospel service
Large picture in colors will be drawn during the evening service illustrating the hymn, "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning."
Miss Euphance Hill, soprano soloist of Toronto, will sing at both services.
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2.30 p.m.—Sunday-school
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ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Rector: Rev. G. H. Johnson, M. A., B.D.
8.30 a.m.—Holy Communion
11 a.m.—Morning prayer and sermon "WHAT DO YOU STAND FOR?"
2.30 p.m.—Sunday-school
7 p.m.—Evensong and sermon, "WHEN EVERYTHING IS AGAINST US"

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Minister—Rev. Henry Cotton
11 a.m.—"WHERE ART THOU?"
Nursery Dept.
Primary and Junior Sunday-school
2.30 p.m. — Intermediate Sunday-school
2.30 p.m.—Senior Sunday-school.
7 p.m.—"WHERE GOD'S LIFE TOUCHES OURS"
Monday, 8 p.m.—Young people's union. Good program.
Tuesday, 7 p.m.—Explorers

CHRISTADELPHIANS

History has long since recorded an exact fulfilment of the first part of "The Olivet Prophecy" in A.D. 70 the siege of Jerusalem by the Romans and the subsequent dispersal of the Jews to every part of the globe, have fulfilled in the minutest detail the words of the Lord Jesus "They shall fall by the edge of the sword, be led captive into all nations, and Jerusalem trodden down by the Gentiles until—"Luke 21:24, Lev. 26: 3, 14, Luke 24: 44, 45, Amos 3: 2.

Read "CHRISTENDOM ASTRAY" in all public libraries or from HOWARD TOOLE, MT. ALBERT, or THOMAS BRIGGS, PEFFERLAW, R. R. 2.

Engagement

Staff-Sergeant and Mrs. A. R. C. Skelton wish to announce the engagement of their only daughter, Audrey Lillian, to Cpl. William Gordon Travisa, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Travisa, all of Newmarket, the wedding to take place the early part of January.

WEDDINGS

CAIN—SEDORE

At the Christian-Congregational church, Newmarket, Nov. 30, Austin James Cain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cain of Zephyr, to Catherine Mae Sedore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sedore, Cedar Brae, Ont.

WARREN-WILKINSON

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1943, at Wentworth St. Baptist church, Hamilton, Grace Johanna Wilkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson, Mount Albert, to Robert Arthur Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Warren, Hamilton. Rev. Gordon Holmes officiated.

W.I. WILL MEET DEC. 16

A collection will be taken for the British Children's Christmas cheer fund at the W.I. meeting in the Citizen-Soldier clubrooms on Dec. 16. This will be the W.I. Christmas party.

Social and Personal

—Mrs. E. Wood is visiting relatives in Detroit.

—Mr. Ted Vollum, supervisor of K. of C. army huts at Petawawa, spent the weekend with Mrs. Vollum and Mrs. Vollum's mother, Mrs. Irene Duncan.

—Mrs. Roy Watson, Beth, Charlie and William spent Sunday with Mrs. Watson's daughter, Mrs. D. R. DuVall, Toronto.

(Additional Newmarket social and personal news will be found on Page 5.)

WILL MEET AT CHURCH

The Christmas meeting of the Evangeline auxiliary of the W.M.S. will be held on Tuesday evening in Trinity United church at 8 o'clock. The members are asked to please note the change of place. Each member is asked to please bring a candle.

MAC PERRIN'S MOVIES WILL PROMOTE MIDLAND

A number of flower lovers from Maple and Newmarket spent an interesting evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Perrin, Gorham St., last Thursday evening when their son, Mr. "Mac" Perrin, of the Mac Perrin flower shop, Midland, showed colored moving pictures of growing flowers, beauty spots taken in Midland, through the Georgian Bay Islands, in Newmarket, Maple, Toronto, Brampton, Hamilton, Kitchener and Niagara Falls.

Mr. Perrin is working on a series of pictures to be used in advertising Midland as a tourist and summer resort. One picture of the series, showing boating, swimming and the various activities on "Little Lake," was shown.

RETURNS HOME

Mrs. Walter Foster has returned home from Aurora, where she was ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Collett. Ill for two months, she is quite a bit better now.

FORM MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Dr. S. J. Boyd, Newmarket, gave an excellent address to the young people of the Church of the Nazarene Friday evening. His subject was "Alcoholic Beverages and Their Effect on Health." In his remarks, Dr. Boyd said alcohol, being a narcotic, would numb, but not stimulate, the human system.

Mrs. Constance Templeton, Mexican soloist from Avenue Road Church of the Nazarene, Toronto, sang four selections which were greatly enjoyed at the church on Tuesday night. Mrs. Ruth Bicker, missionary from Peru, gave a fine missionary address at this service.

A dainty dinner was given by the church at 6 p.m. to Mrs. Templeton and Mrs. Bicker and 18 young women of Newmarket. A young Women's Foreign Missionary Society was afterwards organized in the local church.

SING AT NEWMARKET

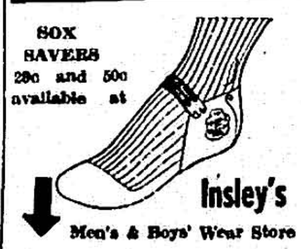
Aurora high school double trio provided special music at the evening service at Trinity United church, Newmarket, on Sunday. The group is composed of Jacqueline Thompson, Shirley Smith, Shirley Saigle, June Caulfield, Ruth Knowles and Frances Moore.

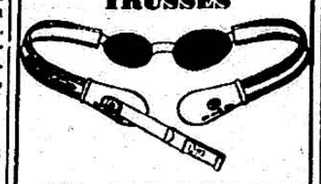
UNDERWENT OPERATION

Bert Peterman, Newmarket, underwent an appendix operation in York County hospital five weeks ago. He is progressing nicely.

IS ABOUT AGAIN

Miss Leonora Starr, who sprained her ankle when she slipped on a banana skin on the pavement a couple of months ago, is able to be about again.

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The Widdifield estate house on north Main St. has been sold to Mrs. Thos. Niles, it is announced by E. A. Boyd & Co. Stanley R. Janes' garage on Huron St., east of Main St., has been sold to Goodman Bros. Mrs. Evelyn Stevens' farm, 4th concession, East Gwillimbury, has been sold to W. B. Clarke, Unionville. Mr. V. Bitzer's house at 5 Prospect has been sold to Percy Hutchinson.

The Widdifield estate house, Water St., has been sold to Wilson D. Lepard. Goodman Bros.' double house at 155 and 157 Main St. has been sold to W. J. Welch. Mrs. Jas. Hope's house, 56 Gorham St., has been sold to Harold Hilton. Mrs. Wm. Rose's house, 42 Gorham St., has been sold to W. E. Morton.

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THANKS FOR YOUR GRAND SUPPORT ON ELECTION DAY
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TO THE RATEPAYERS of the Town of Newmarket
I wish to express my sincere thanks for the support I received at the polls on Monday.
A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.
FRANK BOWSER

To the Electors of Newmarket
Please accept my thanks for the confidence which you expressed in me on Monday. I will do my best to serve the best interests of the town during 1944.
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PLAN WINTER REPAIRS OF FARM IMPLEMENTS

New farm machinery is still going to be scarce for the 1944 season, the old machinery is another year older and will need more repairs and adjusting to give good service for next season, Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn reminds farmers.

Farm mechanics short courses are being held in York county again this winter during January and February at approximately the same locations as the courses last winter.

Farmers young and old should check over their machinery and think over their difficulties, then plan to attend the short course, so that the farm machinery in the county can be put in better working condition for 1944, as production should be increased if at all possible, says Mr. Cockburn.

During the past week short course instructors attended a special course at the Ontario Agricultural College at which plans were discussed for the classes in the various counties. Representatives of all the machinery companies are co-operating in the work. York county men attending included Clark Young, Milliken, Floyd Perkins, Richmond Hill, Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn and his assistant, G. J. Breckenridge, Newmarket.

ERA AND EXPRESS APPRECIATES HELP

The Era and Express has decided not to print any Christmas cards this year, but we wish the public to know that this is because we are barely able to handle the more essential job printing requirements of the public.

During the past year The Era and Express has had to give up, because of lack of staff, printing contracts and "contacts" that had been in the past a great help financially, and frequently we have to disappoint people by saying that we cannot complete a job as soon as it is wanted.

We are trying to confine ourselves to the most essential printing, and, except for jobs that are necessarily rush, we are trying to complete work in the order in which it comes in. We appreciate greatly the courtesy of customers who anticipate needs and allow the printer both latitude and longitude.

People who use the newspaper for advertising events, rather than asking us to print bills, posters or mail material, are helping us and are doing a good job for themselves too, we believe. The Era and Express has a wide and intensive coverage. There are more copies (October average, 1,054) sold in the town of Newmarket than there are homes (householders receiving mail, 782), although that does not mean that every home gets a copy, for there are quite a few copies bought in Newmarket stores by people not living in the town.

We are just doing the best we can, under present circumstances, and hope that before long it may be possible to have the additional staff which will make it possible to take all the work that is offered and to "oblige" everybody.

BELIEVES IN BANKS



Ernest H. Elsdon, driller in a Vancouver shipyard, came off the night shift recently to find his room burglarized and all his savings—$2,750—stolen. "If I'd had the sense to put that cash in a bank, I wouldn't have lost the $2,750 to a burglar," he said.

"I'd been saving that money to buy a house and all I've got left after months of work is a battered strong box. I made the mistake, you see, of keeping that money by me instead of putting it in the bank every pay day. Now I've got to start at the beginning again, but I'm going to stay at my job as a driller until I've got the money to buy that house."

UNION STREET

The regular meeting of the Union Street Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. T. Swanson with a good attendance.

The meeting was opened with the Institute Ode, followed by the Creed and the Lord's prayer.

The roll-call was answered with a Christmas card shower.

The secretary read the minutes and financial statement of the last meeting and they were approved.

Cards of thanks from overseas were read from J. Wayne, E. Wayne, and Donald and Noel Crocker for cigarettes, and from H. Elliott for chocolates. Thanks were also received for fruit and flowers.

The W. I. decided to send $10 to the Christmas cheer fund and to supply two public schools with oranges.

Mrs. Tom Swanson gave a splendid report on the Institute convention at the Royal York hotel, Toronto.

Mrs. L. Johnston gave a short program, each one telling of some funny experience that happened in their life, followed by the singing of Christmas carols.

Mrs. T. Swanson and Mrs. E. Sanderson had Sunday dinner with Mrs. L. Johnston.

Miss Violet Micks has an infection in her hand.

Not To Be Forgotten

The guide had taken him to the top of the mountain, and he gazed long at the scenery. Then he took out a notebook and commenced to write.

"Pardon, m'sieu," asked the guide, "but what are ze notes you make?"

"Oh," said the tourist, "I'm just jotting down the things that have left an indelible impression on my mind, so that I shan't forget them."

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Yule, Alexandria, Indiania, former Aurora residents, spent several days last week with Mrs. Yule's sister, Miss Eva Lemon.

Miss Georgie Charles, R.N., Toronto, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. H. J. Charles.

Mrs. Jack Innes, Toronto, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barnes. Mrs. Innes is the former Florence Case of Aurora.

Joseph Hay, Holland Landing, has purchased W. C. Waite's residence on Wells St. and is now residing in Aurora.

Miss Beverley Nisbet, Toronto, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Nisbet.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar, Snowball, are residing in Aurora.

Miss Marian Thompson, University of Toronto, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Godfrey, Toronto, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Barrager.

Miss Carol McNaught, Toronto, spent the weekend in town.

FLORENCE BELL IS NAMED MISSION BAND PRESIDENT

Elizabeth Devins was presented with a life membership pin at the annual meeting of the mission band at Aurora United church last Monday afternoon. The presentation was made by Mrs. E. H. Clark, president of the W.M.S. The new officers were installed by Rev. Roy Hicks.

Officers for the new year are: president, Florence Bell; vice-pres., Vivian Beech; sec., Nora Knowles; treas., Esther Lubbock; World Friend sec., Ruth Hayes; pianist, Elizabeth Devins. Leadership for the group is provided by Mrs. P. M. Thompson and Mrs. H. A. F. Bowman.

CAROL SERVICE IS SUNDAY

St. Andrew's College boys will hold their annual Christmas carol service on Sunday afternoon at the College chapel, under the direction of David Ouchterloney.

IS ILL IN HOSPITAL

Charles McCabe, well-known Aurora resident, is in hospital. His condition is reported as favorable.

Stylish Clothes

A miserly man was approached by a friend who tried to persuade him to dress more in accordance with his station in life.

"I'm surprised," said the friend, "that you should allow yourself to become shabby."

"But I'm not shabby," said the miser.

"Oh, but you are. Remember your father. He was always neatly dressed. His clothes were always well tailored and of the best material."

"Why," shouted the other triumphantly, "these clothes I'm wearing were father's."

WITH THE FORCES

Sgt. Robert Moore, R.C.A.F., Centralia, Ont., spent the weekend at his home.

Tpr. Harold Billing has been transferred from Newmarket military camp to Camp Borden.

Tpr. Bill Middlebrook, Wellington St., has been transferred from the armored corps to the army service corps at Camp Borden.

Charlie Lawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lawson, Catharine Ave., has joined the R.C.A.F. Charlie, who played hockey for Aurora juveniles last winter, has two older brothers, Sgt. Lawrence Lawson and Sgt. Dan Lawson, serving with the R.C.A.F.

O. S. Bill Knowles, Quebec City, P.Q., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Knowles.

Tpr. Douglas Cameron, Camp Borden, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Cameron.

AC2 Bill Thompson is now stationed at Mountain View with the R.C.A.F.

Pte. Frank Caruso has been transferred from Woodstock to an eastern Canada centre.

Capt. N. F. Johnson, Camp Borden, spent the weekend at his home.

Pte. Gordon Boaks, 1st battalion, Queen's York Rangers, is now stationed at Debert, N.S.

Reported missing on active service overseas is Flt.-Sgt. Ivors R. Forster, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Forster, Thornhill, and well known throughout North York.

Sgt. Alfred Bolsby, R.C.A.F., Toronto, spent the weekend at his home.

Tpr. George Case, Camp Borden, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Clifford Case.

LAC Russell ("Blondie") Rawlings, R.C.A.F., King, former well-known Aurora high school all-round athlete, has been transferred from Calgary, Alta., to Jarvis, Ont.

Lieut. William I. Hearst, C Coy., 2nd battalion, Queen's York Rangers (reserve), was recently given an acclamation as deputy-reeve, ward one, North York township, an office he has held the past three years.

LAC Bill Griffith, Regina, Sask., a former Aurora boy, was in town over the weekend calling on friends. Bill has completed his initial training and will now start advanced work.

Pte. Bill Gleave, Camp Borden, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Gleave.

AC2 Walter Long, Toronto, spent the weekend at his home.

The bugle band of the 2nd battalion, Queen's York Rangers, led the parade of No. 2 Canadian army university course to church service at Toronto Metropolitan church on Sunday.

LAC Heath Hamilton, R.C.A.F., has been posted to Labrador.

Pte. Bruce Davis, R.C.O.C., Toronto, a former Aurora high school student and son of Rev. Douglas Davis, Stouffville, was in town on Saturday.

AC2 Alan Stephenson, R.C.A.F., Toronto, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Stephenson.

LAC John Closs, Brantford, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Closs, Jr.

Stoker Clayton Videan, R.C.N., Halifax, is on leave at his home.

AC2 David Snell, R.C.A.F., Toronto, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Thomas Dann.

LAC Bert Newton, R.C.A.F., Trenton, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Kline Wood.

Cpl. Alan Knowles, U.S. army, Camp McColl, North Carolina, is spending a week's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Knowles.

Bruce Browning, son of Mrs. Fred Browning, has arrived in Italy.

Navy League Does Fine Job, Says Aurora Sailor

Seaman Murray Allen returned to duty on Sunday after spending three weeks leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allen, Wellington St.

Seaman Allen joined the navy last March and has met Stoker Art Hill and Wren Verna Jones, both of Aurora, in Halifax. He has received two ditty bags from unknown sources and says the work of the Navy League is much appreciated by Canada's sailors.

"I know the Aurora branch is doing a fine job and perhaps some day I'll receive one sent by them," he said. "The bags are not sent to any one ship from any centre unless that town has adopted a ship."

SCOUT AUXILIARY MEETS

The Mothers' auxiliary of the 1st Aurora Boy Scout troop met on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. C. R. Boulding.

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IS WITH THE "LIONS"



Flt.-Sgt. Grant Stephenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Stephenson, Oak Ridges, is a member of the famous Lion squadron which has been active in bombing Germany the past weeks.

AIR CADET TRAINING IS POPULAR WITH BOYS

Journeying twice a week to Newmarket for training and looking smart in their air cadet uniforms are a group of Aurora youngsters who are members of the Newmarket air cadet squadron. The boys are quite keen about the courses and training received and several of them are taking N.C.O.'s courses.

Among the Aurora boys who are air cadets are Bruce Heise, Tommy Brodie, Eric Smith, Howard Patrick, Melbourne Newton, Phil. Harrison, Alf. Heard, Walter Swindle, Bill Patrick, Ross Walton, Charlie Southwood, Bert Lawson and Garnet Young.

A number of the lads from the Kettleby district are also air cadets, and several boys around Vandorf are taking training with Stouffville air cadets.

C.W.A.C. TEAMS WILL PLAY BOYS' RULES

Aurora sport fans will have an opportunity this winter of seeing some high class basketball as the C.W.A.C. girls from the Aurora Ordnance Depot clash with teams from Newmarket camp, Trinity barracks, Brampton, and other centres.

Under the supervision of Ptes. Norman Goodhead and Joey Cohen, a promising looking team is practising each week at the Aurora high school gymnasium. Many of the girls are experienced players.

Among those striving for places on the team are Sgt. Lil. Hillier, L.-Cpls. Edith Shaw and Helen Beers, and Ptes. Kay Norris, Jewel Locke, Essie Armstrong, Irene Wheeler, Sue Kalagian, Mary Wilkinson, Doris Savill, Jean Cameron and others.

The team will wear brown jerseys, white shorts and brown socks. Boys' rules are in vogue and make for a fast, crowd-pleasing game. The games are not expected to start until after the New Year.

"BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE" TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

A "Book of Remembrance," consisting of 108 names of men and women of the church on active service, will be dedicated at Aurora United church by Rev. Roy Hicks at Sunday morning's service.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. William Mount is confined to a Toronto hospital, where she recently underwent an operation. Her condition is reported as favorable.

ELECT OFFICERS

The W.A. of Trinity Anglican church held their election of officers on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Mark Browning. The officers elected were: president, Mrs. O. Judd; vice-president, Mrs. M. Browning; recording secretary, Mrs. S. C. Chapman; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. Bradbury; treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Hill; junior superintendent, Miss D. Hofland. Dorcas secretary, Mrs. T. Newton.

Little Helpers secretary, Mrs. W. Trent; thankoffering secretary, Mrs. Wm. McGirr; Living Message secretary, Mrs. F. Todd.

SAY NO CHOICE ON COMMISSION

Does Aurora's Hydro-Electric commission, established by a by-law of the town council on Monday evening, inherit all the assets of the electric light department?

Are these assets a gift from the town to the commission or does the commission begin business with a debt to the town?

Councillor Dr. G. A. C. Gunton put these questions to his fellow councillors on Monday evening.

"The assets still belong to the town," said Mayor Frank Underhill. "They are all transferred to the commission."

"Including the $2,000 bond?" asked Dr. Gunton.

"Oh yes," said Mayor Underhill.

"The Hydro officials have the commission books all set up," said Clerk A. C. A. Willis.

Councillor Ross Linton thought that the Hydro accountants were regarding the new town clerk's office, toward which the light department paid $2,500, as partly belonging to the commission.

Mayor Underhill said that the Hydro could not do that, and indicated that the building belonged to the town.

Mr. Willis said that the Hydro was not considering the building a commission asset, but was agreeing to pay 30 percent of the expense of the building after deducting the rental of the upstair apartment.

"Is there any choice?" Councillor A. A. Cook asked about the by-law. "Does there have to be a commission?"

"Yes," said Councillor Linton. "The people voted in favor of it last year."

"Some people think that the council could avoid a commission," said Mr. Cook.

Councillor Gunton said that there had been some incorrect statements made on the subject. "It was stated that the town could have either a council committee or a commission operate the Hydro business. But we have since learned that villages and townships have a choice, a town must have a commission."

The by-law, prepared by Solicitor Lorne C. Lee, provided for three Hydro commissioners.

"Three members are preferable to five for efficient business," said the mayor. The mayor and two elected members, one elected every other year, will make up the commission.

"Does this council decide if the commissioners are to be paid?" asked Reeve C. A. Malloy.

"Yes," we decide," said Mr. Linton.

Mayor Underhill explained that the council would continue to operate the water department. The town could have a public utilities commission to operate both water and light departments.

"I thought it better to try out the Hydro commission and then if we want to we can put both water and light under a utilities commission," said Mayor Underhill.

"There would have to be a vote of the people to put water under a public utilities commission," said Mr. Lee.

ANNOUNCE PLANS FOR USE OF ARENA

"There will be skating three nights a week, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday," Leslie Beazer, manager of the Aurora arena, stated on Saturday.

"Music will be provided by a sound system two nights a week and the Aurora Citizens' band will provide the music on Saturdays. Fridays will be devoted to free skating for the school children. The arena is ready for action. We only need cold weather to make ice."

Prospects for hockey in Aurora this winter are a little vague. The Aurora Ordnance Depot have equipment and a number of good players on hand but no opposition. St. Andrew's College, who will enter juvenile and midget teams in the Ontario minor hockey association, are expected to use the arena.

It is hoped that a juvenile town team, to play against neighboring centres, will be organized. The advent of ice will perhaps clear the hockey situation.

GRADE 13 GIRLS WIN

Grade 13 girls won the interform volleyball championship of Aurora high school last week by defeating the grade 12 girls in the finals. The winning sextette was composed of Mary Annan, Shirley Fingold, Verna Bryson, Freda Clarkson, Alice Clark and Marjorie Kitchen.

King Township Boys Get Bird's Eye View Of World

Two King boys, both former students at Aurora high school, have been mentioned recently in R.C.A.F. communiques.

Flying Officer Robert M. Rumble, son of Mr. and Mrs Norman Rumble, Temperanceville, has been active in bombing Berlin and reports seeing fires blazing for 150 miles on clear nights. He has two brothers on active service, Harry with the infantry overseas and Clifford with the R.C.A.F. at Calgary. Overseas a year, he was promoted to the rank of flying officer last May.

Flt.-Lieut. Charlie Gates has been named to the new R.C.A.F. mail squadron which will fly mail direct to Canada's fighting sons wherever they may be.

No civilian mail will be handled. Return mail will also be carried as required. The new system has been invoked to keep morale at a high peak.

Solicitor Says Council Is One Member Short

Present holder of the town's garbage removal contract, J. E. Buchanan, was awarded a new contract at $1,500, that is, $150 a month instead of $125, at a town council meeting on Monday evening.

No one else submitted a tender.

The council granted the request of the Aurora fire brigade for its usual grant of $300, $25 for mechanics' fees and one-half of the amount received by the town for attendance at fires outside the municipality.

The council passed a by-law for the election of mayor, reeve, deputy-reeve, six councillors, three public school trustees, and two Hydro commissioners. Nomination will be on Monday, Dec. 27, and election, if any, on Monday, Jan. 3.

Aurora has elected only five councillors in the past, but Councillor Dr. G. A. C. Gunton pointed out, and Town Solicitor L. C. Lee agreed, that a town of less than 5,000 population must have six councillors.

"We have been operating under strength for years," said Mr. Lee.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNER GIVES VALEDICTORY

Aurora high school commencement will be held on Friday evening in the school auditorium. Headmaster Joseph McCulley of Pickering College, Newmarket, will be the guest speaker. Mary Crichton, top scholarship winner in Ontario, will be valedictorian. A play, "His First Shave," will be presented.

The Glee club, and double trio and other entertainment will be given by the pupils. Mr. McCulley and Dr. G. W. Williams of the high school board will present the awards.

A.H.S. BASKETEERS DEFEAT ST. ANDREW'S

Aurora high school basketeers scored an impressive 44-35 win over St. Andrew's College seniors in an exhibition game at the high school on Friday. Charlie Williams headed the Aurora attack with a 14-point total. Aurora were minus the services of one of their ace performers, Gar Doolittle who suffered a knee injury during practice last week.

A.H.S.: guards, Howard Patrick and Bill Babcock; centre, Doug. Clark; forwards, Charlie Williams, Bill Williams; subs., Pete King, Charlie McNaught, Douglas Fisher, Charlie Seath and Eric Smith.

ALL IS NOT GOLD THAT GLITTERS, SAYS REP.

Much interest has been aroused by a feature article in a Toronto daily about an European refugee farmer in western Ontario who has supposedly evolved a miraculous pasture mixture that promises to revolutionize dairying in Ontario. Many York county farmers have become enthused, it is said, and some drove many long miles to see this farm and another group invited the promoter to come to the county to address a gathering of neighbors.

A word of caution is being issued by Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn, warning farmers that "all is not gold that glitters." Equally good pasture mixtures are being recommended by our experimental stations and colleges but they do not sell the seeds and thus farmers have a chance to purchase them at retail prices. Of course anyone seeding down a permanent pasture should put the soil in good fertile condition beforehand.

"The story referred to apparently did not mention supplementary feeds to enable the farmer to carry such a heavy stock," says Mr. Cockburn. "There is a farmer in York county who owns 75 acres and keeps around 70 head of cattle, by renting another 25 acres, and he also feeds brewers' grains. Use a variety of hardy, long growing season grasses and clovers on fertile land seeded heavy to choke out weeds. Many a thin seeding is choked out by weeds. An excellent folder is available from the Ontario department of agriculture or the O.A.C. entitled 'Good Seed Mixtures for Hay and Pasture in Ontario.'"

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HEAR LECTURE

Aurora high school girls heard a representative of a Toronto soap firm give a lecture and demonstration on the care of fabrics last Thursday at the school. The event was staged by the home economics section, under Miss Grace Griffin.

CUMMER COLLECTION GIVEN TO SCHOOLS

Through the generosity of the family and executors of the late Prof. Franklin Right Cummer, who died in his 90th year in November, 1942, the Aurora public and high schools have been given a collection of over 1,000 prints, photographs and pictures.

The school boards will divide the collection and will hang as many as possible in the two schools.

The late Prof. Cummer, a talented musician, was a world traveller and had visited most parts of the earth, bringing back with him prints of much that he had seen.

In the north wing of his residence on Spruce St., built about 15 years ago, he housed his collection on the four walls and ceiling of the studio, which also housed his pipe organ and grand piano. The pictures were set in panels which were in turn screwed to the walls. They represented Italian, Spanish, French and Japanese prints, as well as many others. One of the prizes of the collection is a photo of the ceiling of the Sistine chapel in Rome.

Unfortunately, many of the prints are not suitable for framing because of size and expense and others have faded. Principal J. H. Knowles of Aurora high school expressed himself as delighted with the gift.

"We have removed them from the Cummer residence and they are now being sorted and catalogued," Mr. Knowles said. "They will be divided between the two schools and known as the Cummer Memorial collection."

WITH THE CHURCHES

The W.A. of Aurora United church met this afternoon in the church parlors. Dr. Crawford Rose gave the story of "The Robe." Tea was served at the close of the meeting.

The W.A. of Trinity Anglican church met last Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Mark Browning, Metcalfe St.

The Baker Hill Ladies' double quartette, under the direction of Mrs. James Oldham, provided special music at the evening service at Aurora Baptist church on Sunday, sponsored by the B.Y.P.U.

Trinity church A.Y.P.A. held a social evening in the parish hall on Tuesday evening, under the direction of Miss May Heath.

Under the convenorship of Bruce Underhill, "Youth and the Post War World" formed the theme for a round-table discussion at Sunday's meeting of Aurora United church Y.P.U. Taking part in the topic were Joan Crysdale, Harold Moddle, John Crysdale, Lorna Cousins, Joan Swindle, Charlie Williams, Douglas Fisher and Bill Williams.

The Sunday-school executive of Aurora United church met on Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Anne Dunning.



DOWN THE CENTRE

Vernon Ayres, weighing over 230 pounds and knowing how to use it to advantage, should be the biggest if not the best defenceman in the armored corps hockey group. Ayres is at Brampton camp and, along with C. S. M. Edwards, will coach the "Bullets" this season. A Toronto boy, Ayres, broke into hockey with Young Rangers, turned professional with New York Rangers, and then spent four or five years in the minors, being with St. Louis Flyers in his last moneyed appearance.

Bill McMullen, who teamed with Lister and Iannarelli for Brampton last winter, is still ready for action with the "Bullets" too, and like most of his team-mates is playing mercantile in Toronto. The commercial hockey series continues to attract many well-known players.

Gordy Brennan, former Aurora defenceman, and this year one of the stars of the Toronto Indians on the gridiron, is playing defence for Bowser A. C. and partnered with him is the Hungarian farm lad from Milton, **Joe Schertzl.**

Joe will be remembered as the one-man gang who scintillated on the defence for Milton juniors the past two years and was picked as the outstanding junior defence star. Boston Bruins had him for a trial last season and he would be playing for them now if he could get a border visa. After the war is over he will probably replace some of the Bruin stars who are ready for retirement. He is farming near Milton and along with a lot of the new Canadian lads who played for Milton has been exempted or passed over for active service.

Ewart Pinder, resident in the Aurora area again this winter, because he could not find anyone to relieve him of his farm duties, attended the recent O.H.A. referees' meeting and will be available for whistle-tooting for the district clubs. Ewart, a great hockey booster and a keen student of the game, gave up an important war post to look after his farm. He believes the new red-line will be popular with the fans this season.

Bob Peters of Newmarket and **Tommy Myers,** master of sports at Pickering College, are another pair of arbiters who will show their wares. Peters has been improving each year, while Myers last season was popular with all the clubs in the Aurora town league.

Herb Holman, relieved of his night duties, would also be ready to do a good job this season. There should be no reason for any of the district clubs to import higher-priced help this winter, and there is a big saving on mileage too. It should also be remembered that experienced referees, faced by travelling difficulties, will be harder to obtain.

Baron von Cramm, famous German tennis star and Davis Cup player, turned up in Stockholm the other day to unloose Nazi crying towels and tell of the damage done to Berlin and other German cities by Allied planes. Von Cramm was arrested and banished from Germany a few years ago on a morals charge, and it was rumored for many months that he had been executed. We believe his appearance on the scene is well-timed Nazi propaganda, to cause us to pull our punches, or to believe that the Germans are ready to crack.

International tennis will present a changed picture after the war. Among the tennis stars killed or not likely to see competition again as a result of war injuries are England's Ronald Shayes, Belguim's Andre Lacroix, France's Christian Boussus, Martin Legay and John Lesuer. On the injured list are Australia's Jack Bromwich and Adrian Quist, both suffering from the effects of jungle diseases.

Ja-Ja Jedrezjowska, the great Polish woman star, has not been heard from since the Nazi invasion of Poland. Heard from but holding unenviable posts with the Vichy regime are the two French stalwards of the nets, LaCoste and Brugnon. Canada, just arriving on the verge of successful international competition, has all its big-name players on active service.

Injury to Art Jackson brought Herbie Cain back to the first line of the Boston Bruins with Cowley and "Buzz" Boll, but a change of lines means nothing to Herbie this year, as he continues to move up the scoring ladder. For the first time in his career he is keeping within the exclusive list of N.H.L. scorers.

Earl Cook, Stouffville's gift to the baseball world, generally referred to as the "Lemonville Farmer," on the eve of his 13th year in professional ball, has returned to the scene of his first triumph, Toronto. Cook, who for a three-year period from 1928 to 1930, ruled the roost in the York-Simcoe league, moved to the Queen city in 1931 to play for St. George's seniors in the pit league. His work attracted the attention of Dan Howley, then seeking local color to bolster Leaf gates. In 1932 Cook turned professional, but saw little action and was shifted to the class B circuits. The same process continued pretty well throughout all Cook's career with the Leafs. One year, however, he was purchased by Cincinnati but failed to make the grade and was sent to Syracuse. Buffalo picked him up next and after another good season he received a trial by Detroit Tigers. Then back to Buffalo, to Detroit, thence to Beaumont in the Texas league, then Detroit and last year he saw service on the Pacific coast with Portland Rosebuds. The west coast climate suited Cookie for he had a good year and ranked with the best in his club.

This winter Pete Campbell, of Toronto, soured on the efforts of southpaw Joe Sullivan and made a deal with the Buds whereby Sullivan and George Windsor, a Leafian hold-out, were traded to Portland for Cook and the veteran southpaw Carl Fischer, whose experiences with the Leafs have been much the same as Cook's. In the winter months Cook returns to his native district and does some farming and hunting. He is over the 35 mark now, but that is a popular age for war-time baseball. All his district friends will be pulling for him to have a good season. We believe "Burly" Grimes can perhaps make Cook into a moundsman that the Toronto fans will applaud. He has made good elsewhere but before Canadian fans has failed to show consistent form. He is a quiet, clean-living fellow, all of which has enabled him to weather the storm.

Jack Crozier, one of the best all-round athletes ever to appear on the North York horizon is now on active service with the army and stationed at No. 2 district depot in Toronto. Crozier, who is around the same age as Cook, was an outstanding hardballer and hockeyist at Sutton, his home town, and also Aurora high school, where he received his secondary education. He played soccer, softball, hockey and hardball for the Aurora school and one year won the senior track championship.

In hardball he could equally well catch, pitch, or play the infield or outfield, although he didn't generally work in the box, as the clubs he played with were generally pretty well stocked with pitchers. At the plate he was always a dangerous hitter, especially in the clutches. He played junior hockey for Aurora and then performed for the Greenshirts for many years, winding up as a member of the championship team of 1942. He played both forward and defence positions. When he received his army call he was practising law in Sutton. Now he is expected to play for district depot in the Toronto garrison league.

Depot is coached by Sgt. "Red" Garner, who hails from Richmond Hill, and one of the candidates for goal is **Lieut. "Bing" Caswell,** who last year handled the Brampton camp entry. Mr. Caswell formerly performed for Toronto Varsity.

Also seeking the net position with Depot is **Phil Stein,** former custodian for Syracuse and spare net-minder for Toronto Leafs. Last season Phil was with Research seniors in the O.H.A. Stein is still plenty good and but for his army call-up would have been in action in the N.H.L. this season. He played in goal for Marlboros juniors one year, when they eliminated Newmarket juniors led by Herbie Cain.

Neil Morrison, who played on the first hockey team organized by No. 23 B.T.C., Newmarket, is also a candidate for the depot team. He is a former St. Michael's College player and now wears three hooks on his sleeve. "Red" Williams, another Newmarket original hockeyist, is likewise stationed at the depot.

Ernie Wortley, for years a familiar figure in the Aurora district as a hockey referee, has received a sinecure from the hockey moguls. Ernie was slowing up considerably as an official and getting a bit out of favor with the fans. Now he is the regular goal judge at the north end at Maple Leaf Gardens. A few weeks ago when Johnny Mowers, former netminder for the Detroit Red Wings, and once winner of the Vezina trophy, was not looking too hot in the nets for the R.C.A.F., Ernie attracted attention by venturing to give the classy Mowers some pointers in puck-stopping, much to the enjoyment of the fans.

Bill McDonald, reeve of New Toronto, ex-warden of York and one of the leading Canadian racehorse owners, including the good favorite Tulachmore, has sent Christmas cigarettes at his own personal expense to all the boys on active service from the Lakeshore district. Judging by all we have read in the press, and that takes in the rural correspondents too, the people of North York have done well this year for the boys. We should hate to think anyone has been overlooked.

Al. Shill, one of the famous Shill hockey family and last year a member of the championship Aurora Ordnance team, is another well-known hockeyist who is slated to play for district depot this winter. His brother, Gordy Shill, also with Aurora last winter, is playing mercantile in Toronto. He was one of the five civilian players on the 1943 ordnance team, their presence on an army team causing some loud squawks from teams eliminated, especially Owen Sound Orbpans.

"Joint" McComb has joined the ice forces of Bowser A. C. and scored two goals in his first appearance of the season. We do not know if he is still in the army or not but would presume he has been transferred from Stratford to Toronto in any case.

Ralph Webb, golf professional at the Aurora club a few years ago, has been elected to the executive of the Ontario Professional Golfers association. Webb is at the Pine Point club north of Weston and has had real success since leaving Aurora. Never a good tournament player, he ranks as one of the best teachers of the game in Ontario. Lionel Ross, who was pro at the Summit club, is another member of the moneyed mashie artists executive comittee.

Jimmy Holmes, Canadian army sprints champion when at No. 23 B.T.C., and now a member of No. 3 C.A.C.T.R., where he won Borden honors, joined the benedicts last week, wedding his school-girl sweetheart in Toronto. Jimmy is headed for a commission with the black beret boys.

And speaking of star trackmen, **Gilbert Heron,** elongated Jamaican lad, who starred at track, hardball, softball and soccer for No. 3 C.A.C.T.R. the past summer, has transferred to the R.C.A.F. and hopes to become a pilot. Heron will especially be remembered by Aurora ordnance supporters for his fine soccer playing last summer.

Barrie Juniors are again entered in the junior B series of the O.H.A. but at present have no opposition in sight. They are trying for a berth in the group in which Richmond Hill will play.

Billy Mundell is another Aurora lad who is being counted on by the Hill to make the grade in junior company this season. Mundell is just 16 but already shows plenty of promise and is a hard-working lad. Too bad Aurora hasn't a team to give the boys a chance to play at home.

Besides "Mickey" Sutton and "Whitey" Jones, **Norman Rank,** husky lad just out of public school, will also journey to the Hill for a try-out. Denny Cosgrove of Oak Ridges, who played with King, and Bob Walker of King and Aurora high school will also be seeking places with Charlie Rowntree's boys.

Herky Ross, Norman Stunden, 14-year-old midget goal sensation, Johnny Sullivan and **Herbie Rose** are Hill boys fancied highly for regular spots. Herbie is a great little player and proved his stamina at Niagara camp two years ago at the age of 15 when he took reserve army training with the older boys. Last summer he played third base for the winning Hill softballers.

Rowntree has also a fine crop of Woodbridge and Weston kids lined up and of course has nice connections around Ravina rink for picking up key players. There is a possibility that Rowntree in his first year at the Hill will stick to good local youngsters as he did at Aurora with an eye to the future. He has good material to work with, and a team of home-brews would draw well with the Hill fans.

Markham, it is said, will be out of junior hockey this winter and players will be available from that district too, for the Weston farmer to mould into star players. So far the Rowntree clan have not been able to get on the ice for practice due to the heavy schedule Toronto artificial ice rinks are carrying but they hope to play a practice game with Marlboros B team.

Marj. McCannan is sporting a handsome blue leather travelling bag these days, the gift of the sponsors of the softball team the Newmarket girl played for and which won the senior ladies' title last summer. A banquet and dance, and a colored framed photo of the team for each girl completed a gala season.

Curling appears to be headed for a big season in the district this winter, even though no ice is available as yet. In the Thauburn memorial trophy bonspell in Toronto this week we note that rinks skipped by George Lake, Richmond Hill, L. E. Ross, Agincourt, R. P. Lucas, Churchill, Bill Bosworth, Newmarket, Mervin Watts, Stouffville, are entered. Markham, while not entered in the competition, will again have teams. Might be a good idea for Les. Benzer to try to interest some of the older fellows around Aurora to take up the Scottish game as a revenue producer for the Aurora rink.

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VANDORF

Women's Association Elects 1944 Officers

The Women's Association met at the home of Mrs. John Petch on Wednesday, Dec. 1. The election of officers was held. The 1944 executive will be: hon. pres., Mrs. A. G. Snider; president, Mrs. Wm. Kingdon; vice-pres., Mrs. Robert Carr; sec., Mrs. James Oliver; asst. sec., Mrs. H. A. White; treas., Mrs. Bert. Graham; pianist, Mrs. Roy Morley; asst. pianist, Mrs. E. Moddle.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Jas. Wright on Wednesday, December 15. Mrs. Fenton will give the topic. The hostesses are Mrs. C. Moynihan and Mrs. H. Stevenson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White are the parents of a baby daughter, born Dec. 5 at York County hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sheridan (nee Ruth Willis) are the parents of a baby son born on Dec. 5 at York County hospital.

Mrs. James Hennessey is still critically ill in Toronto.

GLENVILLE

Miss Dorothy Webster spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Webster.

Mrs. Wm. Sweezie spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keffer.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Keffer on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jefferson, Newmarket, and Mr. Arthur Edwards attended the annual Bradford banquet last Thursday.

HOBBY CLUB MEETS

The Sharon Women's Hobby club will meet at Mrs. A. Dike's next Tuesday, Dec. 14, instead of the following week. Roll-call will be the exchange of gifts and a Christmas quotation or verse. It is expected that Mrs. C. Rolling will tell of her trip to Alaska. Lunch committee includes Mrs. S. Walker, Mrs H. Walker, Mrs. Stokes and Mrs. W. H. Wilmot.

WHITCHURCH

PROTEST PROVINCIAL HUNTING LICENSES

An important protest meeting is called for the Markham township offices at Unionville on Wednesday evening with regard to the issuance by the department of game and fisheries of "county hunting licenses" for game such as fox, skunk, etc.

At the regular meeting of Whitchurch township council on Saturday, presided over by Reeve Geo. Leary, it was agreed that that municipality, being one of those in the county of York designated a closed game preserve, should send as many representatives to the meeting as possible, and the matter was left with the game committee.

According to the clerk, John Crawford, the licenses being issued for 25 cents are over-riding the township licenses issued for the same hunting and from which the municipality derives considerable revenue. Several of these licenses have already been presented to substantiate bounty collection, but so far all have been refused. It is presumed that all counties will be affected similarly to York.

The reason for the new license is not known, but it was suggested by several members of Whitchurch council that pressure has been brought to bear on the department by private hunting and rifle clubs.

Record Fox and Skunk Catch

Bounties were paid during the past month on no less than 31 foxes and 48 skunks killed in Whitchurch. Several farmers were paid a bounty on more than one animal. O. Degeer receiving money for over half the catch. Good fox pelts are now understood to be worth between $12 and $16, with skunk pelts running around $2.

Delmer Preston, local maintainer operator, waited on council with a request for an increase in wages of ten cents an hour. The present wage is 50 cents an hour. Last winter's snow-plowing was done at this rate of pay with a guaranteed minimum of $50 a month. There was considerable discussion on the matter, but it was decided to leave the final decision until the next meeting, Dec. 15.

General accounts authorized paid amounted to $565.58, which included an account from Percy Ash for garbage collection of $300. Relief accounts paid totalled $42.48.

Although several sheep claims are known to be outstanding, only two were presented at Saturday's meeting. Chas. Dennie was awarded $11 for one sheep killed, while Jack Crawford received $23 for one sheep and one lamb killed by dogs. Chas. Wright claimed $5 for one dog shot.

The clerk was instructed to communicate with County Road Foreman Rose with a view to having the "stop" signs replaced at the corner of the 4th concession and the Newmarket road, Pleasantville. According to Councillor Leslie Harper, this corner has become dangerous since the removal of the road signs during the construction of the 4th concession and several accidents have already occurred there.

Permission was granted Ross Chapman to cut two dead trees on the roadway at the entrance to his farm. Road accounts for the month amounted o $432.50. The final meeting of the council for 1942 will be held on Dec. 15.

SCHOMBERG

Wm. Cutler Lived Near Schomberg For 26 Years

Mrs. Chas. McTaggart, Kleinburg, visited her mother on Thursday.

Mrs. King of Toronto is visiting her sister, Miss Allen, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Points, Lloydtown, spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McGowan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Forth and baby and Mr. and Mrs. L. Rogers spent Friday in Toronto.

Miss Susie Brown, Armitage, visited her sister, Mrs. J. Leonard, on Thursday.

Cpl. Roy Howard, Trenton, spent the weekend with his family here.

Mr. Ken. Sutton, Toronto, visited his father and sisters over the weekend.

William Edward Cutler died Nov. 22 in his 64th year.

Mr. Cutler was born in 1879 in Oldbury, England. He came to Canada 38 years ago and settled at Earlscourt St., Toronto. For the past 26 years he has been a resident of this vicinity.

The funeral service was held at the home of his son, James Cutler, on Nov. 24. Interment was made in St. Mary Magdalene's cemetery, Lloydtown.

Surviving are his wife, Ethel Stephens, five children, James, Schomberg, George of the R.C.A.F., Mrs. R. Coffey, Penville, Mrs. Ed. McComb and Mrs. J. C. Jennett, both of Cookstown, and 14 grandchildren.

Pottageville

Miss Hattie Cutting, Toronto, spent the weekend with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Archibald called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rose on Thursday.

The mission circle met at the home of Mrs. Harry Shanks on Thursday.

Arnold Dove is ill.

Mrs. Sparling, Schomberg, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Cutting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Springdale, called on Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Archibald, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Groombridge called on their daughter, Mrs. George Wilder, Sunday evening.

HURRY UP

By GOLDEN GLOW

I looked at the calendar and discovered that Christmas is three weeks from Saturday! Oh deary, deary me. However are we going to crowd all we have to do into three short weeks? I forsee a good many of us will have to "burn the midnight oil" if we write all those Christmas letters we plan to write, address and send out our greeting cards—apart from all the regulation extras that the Christmas season brings.

What about the Christmas cake, or did you make the family ones when you baked the one for some loved one overseas or still here in Canada? What about mince-meat and plum puddings? Later will come all the various kinds of Christmas cookies and small cakes, the cranberry jelly and all the other toothsome goodies we expect at Christmas.

Say, isn't that a queer word, toothsome? I wonder whoever thought that one up—but we must admit it is quite in keeping somehow, quite in line with "sweet tooth"—we all know what we mean when we say it.

What an anxious time the housewives are having to secure the delicious ingredients for all these delightful, toothsome foods which mean Christmas to man, woman and child of every age and every nation, nearly. Our "English Christmas," the very words bring a warm glow to everybody's heart.

It may be an English tradition, if so, bring on plenty more English traditions if they are as enjoyable as the Christmas one. Charles Dickens certainly believed in it most thoroughly, and we all enjoy reading, over and over again, his Christmas Carol and the Christmas celebration of the "Pickwickian Club" in Pickwick papers. We can still laugh at the "Fat Boy," who so manfully struggled to keep on eating after he was—well, to put it in small boy's language, "full to the neck." Still laugh at the antics of the squire's old maid sister to get herself kissed under the mistletoe! The description of the Christmas decoration of the church before all else—oh, those were the "Good Old Days" surely.

"Will they ever come again?" we hear on every side. Of course they will and far and away better! We are never too old to enjoy the old-time pictures of the family coming home for Christmas with grandfather and grandmother standing in the open door, with the Christmas wreath hanging on the knocker—with the younger members rushing to greet them and show some treasured toy Santa Claus, (or Father Christmas, as he was in olden time), had brought them, and which they discovered in their stocking hanging by the fireplace when they scampered downstairs in the morning. For, of course, Santa came down the chimney, and many and many a child is still puzzled how he does it.

Already the shop windows are proving a wonderful attraction to the small folk—especially the window of a certain hardware store on the west side of Main St. Out of school hours you'll see children with their faces literally pressed against the glass, picking out what they intend to ask Santa to bring.

For us older ones, the windows on the opposite side are more fascinating! Already the florist's windows blossom out with Christmas plants and flowers, and little fancy holders, mostly animals, with tiny plants growing—one, a cat, with a green cactus tail, one, an old man with green shamrock hair. I understand the unique bisque holders are made in Czecho-Slovakia. They have become quite popular, and you see them standing on top of the lower sash of people's windows with their miniature plant enjoying the light and warmth.

This year we are asked to refrain from an out-of-doors lighted Christmas tree. How we shall miss them, but in memory still we can picture them standing, as they used to, outside each church with their beautiful Christmas colored lights, amber, ruby, emerald and the lovely sapphire blue.

If you haven't your Christmas cards and letters off for overseas, get busy quickly—there may still be time. Hurry up!

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KETTLEBY

MRS. W. H. MURRAY IS W. M. S. PRESIDENT

Kettleby public school is holding its annual Christmas concert Monday evening, Dec. 20, in the United church hall.

Miss Beatrice Williams spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Williams.

Earl Heacock of the R.C.A.F. has returned to Toronto after spending several days at his home here.

The W.A. and W.M.S. of the United church met on Wednesday of last week in the hall. Mrs. D. Heacock was in charge of the W.A. meeting and Mrs. W. H. Murray presided at the W.M.S. meeting when a candle light service was held. The W.M.S. allocation for the year has been attained.

The officers of the W.M.S. for the coming year are as follows: pres., Mrs. W. H. Murray; sec., Mrs. A. Marshall; treas., Mrs. H. Webster; supply sec., Mrs. J. Lepard; temperance sec., Mrs. R. Geer; missionary monthly, Mrs S. J. Heacock; pianist, Mrs. R. Marshall.

A number from here are planning to attend the high school commencement in Aurora on Friday night. Miss Mary Crichton of the University of Toronto, who had the highest standing of the province in the senior matriculation exams this year, will give the valedictory address.

Miss Laura Black spent the weekend in Toronto with a girl friend, Miss Kathleen Kitching.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lachlan McKellar were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swartz and Mrs. McKellar's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murray, all of Toronto.

Misses Margaret and Aileen Blackburn, Toronto, spent the weekend at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lepard spent Sunday at Snowball with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Storey.

Miss Beatrice Williams, Toronto, spent the weekend with her parents.

Frank Billings, who underwent an appendicitis operation in York County hospital, is progressing favorably.

Miss Irene Billings, Toronto, spent the weekend at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Caledon Davis, Newmarket, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blackburn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Geer, Newmarket, Mrs. Frank Curtis, Mrs. Robert Rank, Aurora, and Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Webster attended the funeral of Mr. Thomas Cole, Woodbridge, on Saturday afternoon.

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The regular business meeting of the W.I. will be held before the sale, and will start at 2.30 o'clock. Mrs. Mie Sedore, Willow Beach, is president of the W.I.

Mrs. Wm. Winch visited her sister, Mrs. A. J. Wilson, Toronto, this week. Mrs. Wilson has been confined to bed for the past three weeks.

To the Electors of NORTH GWILLIMBURY

Still believing in undisturbed meditation, I wish to express my thanks to the many friends for their support at the recent election and hope my actions during 1944 may not be too great a disappointment.

Wm. A. King

BIRTHDAY CLUB

Birthday greetings are extended this week to:

Darliene Stuffles, Newmarket, eight years old on Sunday, Dec. 5.

Joan Smart, Newmarket, four years old on Monday, Dec. 6.

Charlie Howlett, R. R. 3, Newmarket, 14 years old on Monday, Dec. 6.

Mildred Drake, Holland Landing, 11 years old on Thursday, Dec. 9.

Alma Atkinson, Holland Landing, 15 years old on Saturday, Dec. 11.

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NORTH GWILLIMBURY

DOESN'T CANVASS BUT LEADS COUNCIL POLL

(By Special Correspondent)

A small vote, a long list of candidates for council and a slushy stormy day made the story of the election for the 1944 council in North Gwillimbury. The weather and the "flu" no doubt combined to keep a portion of the voters at home and few non-resident voters from Toronto appeared.

Reeve Ross McMillan and Deputy-Reeve Harold Glover were sitting in comfort on the sidelines with acclamations in their pockets.

Billy King tried out a new one on North Gwillimbury and it worked. At the nomination meeting he announced that he was in the field but that he did not intend to make any tour of the township soliciting votes. On these terms they could take him or leave him. He was taken to the head of the pole by a large majority. One will not venture to say how much his card in that powerful advertising medium, The Era and Express, helped in bringing about this result, lest rates should be raised for future candidates, but somehow Billy won handsomely.

The veteran, James Nelson, came next, retaining a seat he has held for several years. Norm. Doyle and Lloyd Stiles made a close race of it for the third council seat, but Norm. nosed in by two votes.

By polling divisions the results were:

	Doyle	Graham	King	Munro	Nelson	Sedore	Stiles
No. 1	73	32	153	72	52	75	66
No. 2	38	52	107	33	133	47	103
No. 3	37	67	60	52	54	34	54
No. 4	117	25	37	32	32	41	40
	265	176	357	189	271	197	263

Three councillors of experience and two newcomers will compose the 1944 council. The elected are reeve, Ross A. McMillan; deputy-reeve, Harold H. Glover; councillors, William A. King, James Nelson and J. L. Doyle.

With its affairs in the hands of these gentlemen the township may look forward to good administration for 1944.

FARM GROUP ASKS FOR MUNICIPAL DOCTORS

The Newmarket East Radio Forum met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Mount on Monday evening with 18 members present. The topic for discussion was: "Farm Forums Want Health Insurance."

Three groups were formed and they discussed the question in detail. Conclusions reached were that regular examinations, early diagnosis and pre-natal and post-natal examinations are, in the community, the responsibility of the individual.

A municipal clinic was held last year for prevention of diphtheria, under the direction of Dr. G. W. E. Macpherson, M.O.H., for pre-school and school children. Money spent for preventive medicine is negligible but on medical services ranging from $5 to $75 and up.

Free dental services were sponsored at the school and several of the Newmarket East group learned of preventive measures through the Red Cross nursing class. A Junior Red Cross at the school teaches rules of health and sanitation and the care of the body.

Immediate improvements suggested under a national health plan would be municipal doctors and public health nurses, less contagious diseases and avoidance of epidemics, clinics for removal of adenoids and tonsils, for tuberculosis and optical examinations, maternal welfare centres, free treatment for venereal diseases and cancer.

A national health plan should result in a much lower death rate, especially among children and mothers, and greater length of life in general. The nature of farm work makes for serious illnesses through accidents and heavy lifting.

Farm folk should retire from such onerous work at an earlier age. Inside toilets should be in every rural school and a bathroom in every farm home. To quote a noted city physician, "Inflammation of the inner organs is a direct cause of outside inconveniences. We should be ashamed."

A national health plan should insure a much healthier and happier people.

A delegate was appointed to attend the short course at Guelph during the Christmas holiday season. The possibility of securing national films on "Health in the Rural School" was left with the secretary, Miss Feldman.

Next Monday evening's meeting will convene at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker, where the subject discussed will be a national health insurance plan.

SCOTT

SCOTT COUNCIL HOLDS DECEMBER MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of Scott township council was held at the township hall on Saturday, Dec. 4. All the members were present.

Communications were read from Ford Lapp, school attendance report for October: from an investigator for mothers' allowance, with a statement of a party requiring fuel; from the Ontario Hog Producers Association, notifying of the date of their meeting; from Oshawa General hospital, in reference to two accounts.

The following were appointed to meet committees from other municipalities to settle townline accounts: Uxbridge and Reach, Reeve Clarke, Mr. Thaxter and Road Superintendent Johnson; Brock and Georgina, Messrs. Blackburn, Johnson and Webster; East Gwillimbury, Messrs. Johnson, Bain and Oldham.

Reeve Clarke, Messrs. Blackburn and Johnson were appointed a committee to inspect the truck and snow-plow when reported ready.

Poundkeeper Fawns' report of animals impounded and sold after being duly advertised was presented. One animal was sold for $37.92. The poundkeeper's fees and expenses were $16.10. The balance was given to the township treasurer.

Accounts passed included: payroll No. 11, labor on roads, $223; N. Thompson, tractor, $70; James Hackner, trucking, $226; H. Morrison, trucking, $202; Thos. Wright, bonus, 140 rods wire fence, $56; L. Stead, wire, $2.80; W. Pickering, wire, $3.40.

M. Keller, gravel, $69.12; Ross Johnson, salary, $83.30; Leslie Card, two lambs killed by dogs, $15; Ross Marquis, two lambs killed by dogs, $24; Wm. Barton, one sheep killed by dogs, $11; Lloyd Marquis, four sheep killed by dogs, $62.50; Milton Harman, two sheep killed by dogs, $28; Alex Mustard, one sheep killed by dogs, $13.

Howard Kennedy, two sheep valuations, $2; Harvey Shier, one sheep valuation, $1; provincial treasurer, insulin supplied invalids, $1.16; Canadian Mothercraft Society, grant, $10; Uxbridge Times-Journal, printing, $100.75; Town of Uxbridge, proportion of division court, $16; Navy League, grant from patriotic funds, $100.

ILLNESS REPORTED

Aurora public school attendance report for November shows the number registered as 386 and average attendance, 346; perfect attendance, 8,398 days and actual attendance 7,611½ days.

Losses due to illness were 649 days.

The senior school carol service takes place on Monday evening, Dec. 20.

Zephyr

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Pickering and June, of Toronto, spent the weekend with Mrs. C. Pickering.

Mrs. Sid. Bradley and daughter, who have been spending a week with Mrs. Bradley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cronsberry, returned to their home in Toronto on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Heaton and Kenneth, Toronto, spent Sunday with their parents.

Mr. Robt. Pickering, Toronto, spent Sunday with his father, Mr. R. W. Pickering.

Mrs. F. Norton, Ravenshoe, and Mr. A. Reed, Little Britain, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. Shier and Doris. Mr. Shier is ill.

Miss Helen Rynard, Toronto, spent the weekend at her home.

Mrs. Jas. Marshall and Shirley left for Toronto on Friday.

Mr. S. Jones is visiting friends in Stouffville and Richmond Hill.

Mrs. J. Galbraith is spending a few days in Toronto with her daughter, Mrs. Parker.



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Election Of Officers Is Followed By Supper

The combined church service and Sunday-school service will be carried out again on Sunday at 11 a.m. at the United church.

The evening service will take the form of a pictorial Christmas service. Fifty slides, mostly colored, about the Christmas story will be shown.

The Lakeside Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Orvan Huntley on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 14. The meeting will begin as soon after 2 o'clock as possible. Roll-call will be a verse of scripture. There will be a gift draw to raise money for war purposes. There will be Christmas carol singing, a talk on current events by Mrs. George White and a Christmas story by Mrs. V. Atcheson.

The tables, at which a delicious supper was served at the United church last Thursday, were decorated with Christmas greens and gay with red and green.

Colored slides, based on Charles Dickens' "Christmas Carol" were shown while Rev. Gordon Lapp read the story.

The play, "Little Women," based on Louisa Alcott's book, was presented by the intermediate Girls in Training, under the guidance of Mrs. Gordon Lapp, in a charming manner.

Those taking part in the play were Marie Draper, Corine Picard, Doris Pollock, Ruby Rye, Ruth Mary Winch, Dorine Anderson, Barbara Yeates and Donna Anderson.

Those who helped with the stage were Betty Alder, Ruth Alder, Audrey Sedore, Marian Smith and Phyllis Rye.

In the annual election of officers of the Women's Association of the United church, held on the same afternoon, the following officers were elected:

Honorary president, Mrs. D. McGenerty; president, Mrs. Wm. Davison; 1st vice-president, Mrs. John Hopkins; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Bernard Rye; press secretary, Miss Joy Marritt; pianist, Miss Eva Gilroy; temperance secretary, Mrs. Frank Marritt.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. Baines; secretary, Mrs. Winston Prosser; corr. secretary, Mrs. O. M. King; flower committee, Mrs. Orvan Huntley and Mrs. R. J. Pollock.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilkinson have an infant son.

Mr. Lawrence Purdy, Winnipeg, came to attend the funeral of his mother, the late Mrs. Mary Purdy, last week.

Mrs. M. B. Carscallen, of Sylvan Lake, Alberta, is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Gordon Lapp.

Pilot-Officer Ted Marritt spent part of last week and this week at home.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marritt were Miss Violet Larmon, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Purvis and infant son, of Cannington.

Miss Shirley Pollock spent last weekend here.

Mrs. J. W. Hirst has been ill but is somewhat improved.

LAC Robert Pollock was home recently after spending some time in Florida. He is now stationed at Windsor.

Eulah Pollock was home last weekend.

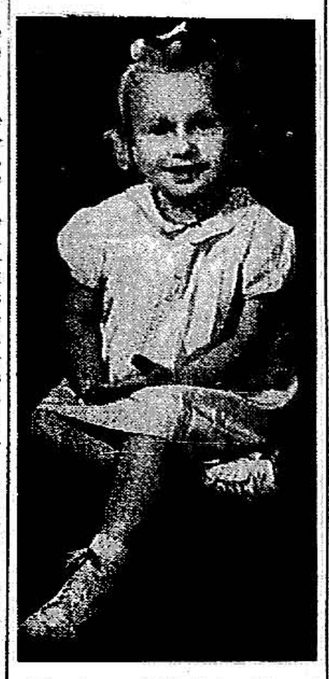
Reeva Pollock is ill and at home at the present time.

Miss Lottie Deacon was visiting friends in the neighborhood one day last week.

Mr. J. H. Harper spent last weekend in Toronto.

Those taking part in the recital given by Mrs. Harold Pollard's pupils at the United church recently included Marlene Rye, Helen Stiles, Marion Sturdy, Mary Jean and Lois Marritt, Lillian Connell, Doreen Anderson, Carolyn Acheson, Ruth Mary Winch, Barbara Yeates, Ruby Rye, Mary Morton, June Prosser, Ruth Stiles, Lois Balsdon, Marie Draper, Mrs. E. Morton, Jean and Jamie Huntley, Corinne Picard, Phyllis Rye, Mrs. Hopkins, Doris Pollock, Nancy Huntley and Mary Huntley.

IS NEWMARKET MISS



The happy little lady pictured above is Marjorie Bone, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bone, Newmarket, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Knet, Pine Orchard, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bone, Newmarket. Photo by Budd.

Mount Albert

Mrs. E. Spencely is spending a week in Toronto visiting her sister, Mrs. Watham.

Jos. Tilley was in Toronto this week attending a meeting.

The hunters were out in full force again on Saturday and shot a wolf and a fox. Walter Hirst, Wynhurst Beach, shot the wolf and Fred Gibson, Sharon, and Alfred Hill, got the fox.

The public school will hold a concert in the town hall on Tuesday evening, Dec. 21. A fine program will be put on by the children.

The Mount Albert unit of the Red Cross has made the following shipment: five large quilts, two cot quilts, three pillow slips, three sheets, one knitted shawl, three prs. pyjamas, four boys' blouses; three prs. corduroy pants, one blue bed coat, one green silk blouse, three 4-year-old blue pantie dresses, one pair khaki gloves, one pair seaman's 18" socks, eight knitted baby jackets, one knitted baby bonnet, one pair knitted baby bootees.

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The wedding was solemnized in Wentworth St. Baptist church, Hamilton, on Nov. 20, of Grace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson, Mount Albert, to Robert A. Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Warren, Hamilton. Rev. Gordon M. Holmes officiated.

The bride was attired in crystal blue sheer over satin, with matching hat and a corsage bouquet of yellow roses and yellow baby chrysanthemums. She was attended by Miss Grace Davis, Aurora. The best man was John H. Dennie, Hamilton Hill.

After the reception the couple left on a motor trip. The bride travelled in a brown suit and accessories. On their return they will reside in Hamilton.

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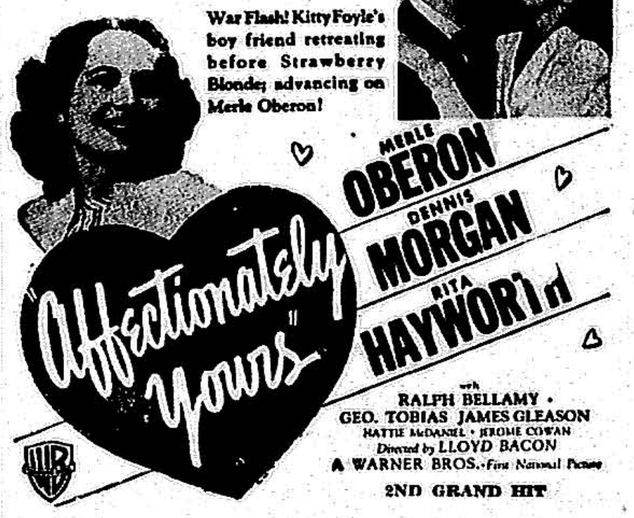
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MILTON BERLE — MARY BETH HUGHES
"OVER MY DEAD BODY"

MONDAY - TUESDAY — DEC. 13 - 14
GEORGE BRENT — BRENDA MARSHALL
"YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FOREVER"
AND
JAMES ELLISON — CHARLOTTE GREENWOOD
CHARLES RUGGLES
"DIXIE DUGAN"

WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY — DEC. 15 - 16
RICHARD TRAVIS — RUTH FORD
"TRUCK BUSTERS"
AND
WM. HOLDEN — SUSAN HAYWARD
"YOUNG AND WILLING"

MOUNT ALBERT

Had Lettuce, Radishes From Garden Till Dec. 1

A miscellaneous shower was held last week at the home of Mrs. Talmage Skinner for her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Kett, a recent bride. She received many lovely gifts.

Arthur Dawson of the R.C.A.F., Centralia, and Mrs. Dawson, were at the home of Mr. Dawson's mother, Mrs. H. Price, on Saturday.

Returning from voting on Monday, Mrs. Jordan, Sr., fell on the ice and broke her wrist.

Tuesday morning Mrs. Frank Thompson tripped on a rug in her home and fell, fracturing her hip. Both ladies were removed to the hospital for treatment.

Mrs. J. Oliver had lettuce and radishes out of her garden up to Dec. 1.

Mount Albert market is much alive and a nice lot of produce has been coming in each Tuesday morning.

Mr. Alexander of Toronto was relieving Mr. Tilley while he was away this week.

The W.M.S. will have charge of the morning service on Sunday at the United church. Bill Burgess will be the guest speaker.

The W.M.S. of the United church held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. T. Watts on Monday evening. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, Mrs. H. W. Pearson; vice-president, Mrs. Roy Stewart; corr. sec., Mrs. W. R. Steeper; rec. sec. and treas., Mrs. W. L. Carruthers; pianist, Mrs. E. Haigh; supply convenor, Mrs. D. Stokes; missionary monthly sec., Mrs. E. Haigh and Miss J. Oldham; Christian stewardship and finance, Mrs. M. Mainprize; social convenor, Mrs. E. Haigh; temperance and com. friendship, Mrs. H. Hall.

The Cheerio club held their meeting on Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. H. Harman. There was a good attendance and a splendid Christmas program was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Murray Stokes was in charge of the program.

The officers for 1944 were elected as follows: pres., Mrs. Allen Hopkins; vice-pres., Mrs. Ferguson; sec.-treas., Mrs. Roy Carr; visiting committee, Mrs. Kenneth Mitchell, Mrs. Walter Rate, Mrs. Wm. Couper, Mrs. D. Stiver; war work committee, Mrs. Geo. Walsh, Miss B. Harman, Mrs. Geo. Price and Mrs. Murray Stokes.

Mrs. Geo. Walsh gave an interesting paper on "Moscow as it is today"

The hall board will hold their regular dance on Friday evening in the town hall. There will be good music.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Shields are spending a week or so in Toronto.

(Additional Mount Albert news will be found on Page 9.)

EAST GWILLIMBURY

Township Will Pay $3 Bounty On Foxes

The regular monthly meeting of East Gwillimbury council was held in Sharon hall on Saturday, Dec. 4. All the members were present.

A bounty of $3 is offered for foxes killed in the township. The bounty went into effect Dec. 4.

The clerk was instructed to obtain from the Red Cross Society the names of the boys and girls in the armed forces for the purpose of preparing a list to be placed in the municipal hall at Sharon.

Reeve J. S. Osborne was sent as a delegate to the hog producers meeting in Toronto on Dec. 7, representing East Gwillimbury farmers.

The treasurer was directed to pay the deputy returning officers the necessary fees on return of the ballot boxes.

Sharon United church has rented the municipal hall for $10 to conserve fuel for the winter months.

The following accounts were passed for payment: miscellaneous, Mary Watson, care of indigent, $26; A. G. Hall, sheep claim, $15; John Pinder, sheep claim, $12.50; A. G. Wilton, sheep claim, $12; R. C. Morning, sheep claim, $15; T. Peregrine, sheep claim, $12.50.

V. Kellington, sheep claim, $12.50; F. Graham, sheep claim, $34; H. Jones, sheep claim, $10; P. Pollock, sheep claim, $13; Gordon Coates, sheep claim, $23; dog tags, $14.84; J. E. Jardine, constable, salary, $75, weed inspector and school attendance, $50; hunting license, $3.40.

Era and Express, advertising, $11.18; department of health, insulin, $10.21; Dr. L. W. Dales, medical care, $15; G. Allison and J. Evans, wolf bounty, $10; D. Green, wolf bounty, $10; W. Hirst, wolf bounty, $10.

A. Greig, posting bills, $6; B. W. Howard, sheep valuator, $6; W. Croutch, sheep valuator, $18; Mrs. Evans, caretaker of hall, $50; Dr. G. W. E. Macpherson, professonal services, $37.78; Western hospital, T. B. refills, $15; Dr. Judge, medical care, $5; Dr. Sinclair, medical care, $2; Harry Hulse, insurance, $44.87; county treasurer, hospitalization, $98.35.

J. L. Smith, salary, $110; L. J. Farr, relief salary, $10; J. Warren, refund dog tax, $2.

Relief accounts: S. C. Sheppard, $5; D. Pivnick, $15; Henry Widdifield, $88; W. A. Burkholder, $8; E. P. Crittenden, $10; G. Price, $6.90; K. Ross, $30.06; G. Hammett and Son, $78.75; Mrs. Fred Pegg, $14; L. E. Hamilton, $26; Garnet Fairbarn, $10; James Morris, $8.

Road accounts: stamps, $3.50; oil, $44.86; repairs, $8.55; trucking, $3.87; crushing, $160.72; erecting snow fence, $103.40; tax on fuel oil, $56.56.

The council adjourned to meet again Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 10 a.m.

Ravenshoe

Mrs. J. Stevenson is ill with the "flu."

Mr. and Mrs. Angus King were visiting Mrs. Welburn in Queensville on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis, Toronto, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Davidson.

The regular Ladies' Aid tea at the United church will be served on Tuesday, Dec. 14, instead of Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Sharon

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Selby and David spent Sunday in Toronto visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith.

Mrs. W. B. Selby spent Sunday with friends in Lansing.

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TWENTY-THREE - THIS WEEK

It's a pleasure to again see Major Milton, genial officer commanding "D" squadron, about the C.O.'s business. Major Milton has had quite a bout of this annoying type of "flu" that's around at the present time. He seems to have come back with renewed vigor and pep—his renowned dry sense of humor quite unimpaired.

On Monday evening, Nov. 29, at 6.30 a class in typing and shorthand commenced at No. 23, and promises to become of great help in increasing the efficiency in the administrative field of the unit. Over 20 soldiers, of whom about 15 are C.W.A.C.'s, have availed themselves of the opportunity to study and learn shorthand and typing from Mr. Dick of Newmarket high school. The Canadian Legion has provided the instructor, typewriters and text, while the centre has arranged for facilities.

Sgt. Halley of the regimental provost is to be highly commended upon his ambition and foresight, for he is taking both shorthand and typing and will without a doubt acquit himself as well at this new undertaking as he consistently does in provost work. Sgt. Halley, in addition to taking classes, is the N.C.O. doing liaison work between the class and the unit education officer.

Classes begin at 6.30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, and last until 8.45. This time is divided into three periods, the first and third of which are devoted to typing, and the second to shorthand.

The following are enrolled in the class: Capt. D. J. Hynes, Sgts. Halley and W. Melnechuk, Cpls. Anderson and K. Harvey, L-Cpls. DeLong, MacLean, Perkio, J. T. Priest, Ptes. M. I. Burroughs, P. Carter, G. Cowan, Jubb, A. Kelly, Labine, H. Osborne, Pattenden, K. Patson, C. E. Petit, B. Reid, A. C. Russell, H. Sheridan, Skinner, Smith and C. Stephens.

At 6.30, Monday, Nov. 29, Col. Young called a meeting of all his officers and instructors and thoroughly dicussed the new training syllabus in the light of what had been discussed and determined at a meeting of staff and commanding officers in London, Ont., during the week of Nov. 22. The meeting proved to be interesting and instructive and cleared up many a clouded point of training.

During a discussion on security, Col. Young found himself forced to bow to the superior knowledge and understanding of women evidently possessed by 2nd Lieut. Fred. J. White, who pointed out that much of our military security depended upon the ability of the ladies to refrain from chatting about troop movements, strength, disposition and armament.

During the course of the day, Major Caldwell, R.C.A.M.C., headquarters, conducted an inspection of the unit hospital.

On Tuesday, Nov. 30, besides receiving their pay, the lads of the centre were treated to a splendid show in the drill hall provided by a group calling themselves the Allegro Ladies. One of the young ladies was so talented that Col. Young is making efforts to see to it that her career is fostered by friends of his interested in endeavors of this description. Others of the ladies were from the famous army show.

On the first of the month the centre was visited by Brigadier Gorselline, chief inspector of all Canadian military hospitals, Col. Jepson, officer commanding the Camp Borden military hospital and Major Noonan, the district medical officer. They complimented Major Weissgerber upon the cleanliness and orderliness of our own unit hospital, and, since they've seen many hospitals, such words are vey gratifying.

On Dec. 2 No. 23 received a visit from another group of high officials. Capt. Campbell, officer commanding the Aurora ordnance depot and army repair and salvage unit, brought with him to lunch the master-general of ordnance, General Young, the chairman of the army salvage and disposal board, Col. Dalley, the director of mechanical maintenance, Col. Grant, and the district ordnance officer, Col. Edwards. The presence of these gentlemen evoked a number of discussions relative to rank insignia, which were rather effectively squashed by the adjutant saying, "You'll know what they are when you get into the position to wear them."

Our new R.M.O. arrived, replacing Lieut. Bell, who has been posted to parts unknown. Lieut. Hawks will probably not be here any longer than Mr. Bell was, so it's hardly worth-while trying to get to know him. But he does seem a friendly sort and we're glad to welcome him to No. 23.

On the evening of Dec. 2 an affair of momentous importance took place at the centre. The day before attractive cards began circulating in the camp inviting certain officers, N.C.O.'s and men to a dance and refreshments in the C.W.A.C. recreation room. Much chatter was evoked by these invitations and many accusations were made that certain people must have drag with certain other people to be able to get invites to affairs of such importance. In other words, some people were showing a few more wolfish teeth at the C.W.A.C. than others.

In any event at about 9.30 p.m the dance was in full swing. Everyone was there from the colonel to "Rations" Osler, who wasn't rationing a thing, and from the R.S.M. to the most beautiful little girl in camp, Pte. Mary McKerwin, who was handing around the most interesting typewritten stories about passion on a roller-coaster.

Major Milton, Mrs. Hannacher, Capt. Williams and the good padre were in charge of refreshments, which consisted of the most tantalizing punch this reporter has ever tasted. At one moment it would taste like that famous restless food, celery, at the next it tasted like rhubarb. In any event, it possessed literally millions of vitamins and probably, as a result, served a purpose. Many, for this reason, such as Capt. Williams and Lieut. Kennedy, were seen to guzzle as many as six cups.

Of the highlights of the evening were the dimples of Cpl. Wilson, which she employed in fascinating the colonel. She danced with him so long that many were heard to observe that she must have taken up an option. However, to again prove the fickleness of women, throughout the course of the evening she was seen going up to various male personnel and cooing, "Darling—you're so sweet!"

L-Cpl. Gantner had much to say about the French, especially after having spilled one of the more imposing figures of camp out upon the running-board of a car when without warning she opened the back door of said car. L-Cpl. Gantner insisted, however, that her mission was purely in search of warmth. How did she know the place was occupied?

Cpl. Davies and his trained flea provided much mirth, especially when the flea flew out of control and apparently landed upon the colonel's head, there losing its identity completely.

At one point during the course of the evenings entertainment an announcement was made that Sgt. Philp was celebrating her birthday. Immediately she was presented with a lovely birthday cake and a boxful of presents and for once a female sergeant was speechless! So was the so-called master of ceremonies.

Spot dances, Paul Joneses, lemon dances and bingo dances were all enjoyed, but especially satisfactory was the full-blown music of Cumba Marinelli and his Terrific Three composed of the Cumba on saxaphone, Cpl. ("It's a darb") Glikes at the piano and "Auk" Auchterlonie at the drums. The music these three beat out was something deep out of the heart of Africa and yet somehow sweet and enchanting.

Cpl. Dalley and those who helped to arrange the dance are to be congratulated for assisting Mrs. Hannacher so efficiently.

It's a real pleasure to hear that Col. Harkness, our former commanding officer, is now a personal representative of the district officer commanding. We all here wish him much luck with his new work.

THEY'RE COUSINS



The two charming children above are James Gary Hammett, 19-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hammett, Mount Albert, and Joan Carolyn Murphy, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. R. Murphy, Mount Albert. They are grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. George Hammett, Mount Albert. Photo by Budd.

IS APPRECIATIVE

"As army manoeuvres and loss of mail through enemy action have denied me the privilege of thanking friends, relatives, the War Veterans' Association, the Boy Scouts and the Trinity United Young People's Guild for letters and parcels, all of which have been received with appreciation, I would like through my home-town paper to convey to my people my Christmas message to them and to express my sincere gratitude for all kindnesses and comforts," Spr. Milton G. Morton writes in a letter to The Era and Express.

A Catch In It

The woman at the insurance office inquired as to the costs, amounts paid, etc.

"So," she concluded, "if I pay five dollars, you pay me a thousand if my house burns down. But do you ask questions about how the fire started?"

"We make a careful investigation, of course," replied the agent.

The woman flounced toward the door in disgust.

"Just as I thought," she declared. "I knew there was a catch in it."

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Outwitted

Rufus Choate, in association with Daniel Webster, was handling an important case for a Boston shipping house. Before him in the witness box was an Irish shipowner, whom he was trying to confuse by asking him a long involved question. According to a spectator, the question wound all round the case and straggled through every street in Boston. But the witness remained calm and unruffled.

When Mr. Choate had finished, the Irishman leaned forward and quietly asked, "Mr. Choate, will ye be afther repating that question again?"

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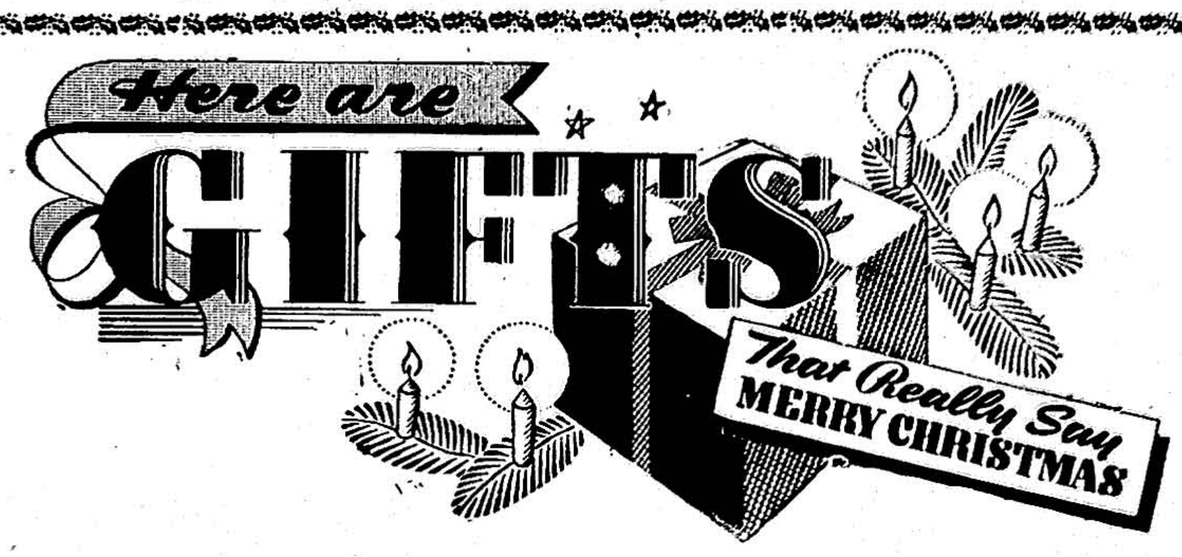
WHAT OTHERS THINK

FARM HOMES

(Listowel Banner)

George Hoadley, chairman of the health committee of the Federation of Agriculture told the United Farm Women of Ontario meeting in convention that slums exist in rural areas but they were not brought forcibly to public attention because of the space and air between individual homes. The last census established that in Ontario the average farm home was valued at $1,400, that only 17 percent of them had furnaces, 13 percent cooking with gas or electricity, only nine percent had flush toilets, only 37 percent electric lighting, and 32 percent of them were in need of external repairs.

All this apropos of the contention that widespread improvement in rural housing and schools must take place soon if farm boys and girls in the army and in munitions are going to be persuaded to return to the farms after the war. If agriculture is to flourish in this province there is imperative need for the return of youth as in 1941 the average age of the head of the house in farm areas was 51.



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